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*Mysterious gastro enteritis outbreak - plague.
God slays British babies like Egypt's firstborn*

SO LONG AS YOU DENY US SANCTUARY AND STATEHOOD,
YOU CONTINUE OUR AGONIES AND SHARE THE NAZI
CRIME - GUILTY AS GOERING - VIDE SHAVCROSS.

Leicester
December 1946

2 JAN 1947

Sir,

Palestine is front-page news. What is going on there should interest all.

Does the average man appreciate that our present cabinet is not only flouting the just terms of the League of Nations' Mandate but also it is acting in defiance of the Mandate of the millions of electors who voted the present Labour government into power.

It is well known that year by year the Labour party at its conferences made one of its chief platform promises, the faithful carrying out of the Palestine Mandate and the opening of the gates of Palestine to the Jews. By electing them to office and to power your instructions were clearly to open those gates. Have they done so? No, they defy the electorate and have shut them.

In a recent broadcast to the Forces the workings of democracy were explained. It was stated that parties are elected on the strength of their party programmes, AND NO PARTY LEADERS WOULD DARE TO DEFEY AND FLOUT THE VOICE OF THE ELECTORATE SO EXPRESSED, once they got into power.

To my mind, our foreign Minister, Mr. Bevin and Mr. Attlee appear to be making pretty small beer of our democracy.

Do you know that Trans-Jordan is part of the Palestine Mandate? The first thing Mr. Bevin did - and it must be admitted he did it in an unseemly hurry - was to set up an Arab state there under British management. In view of British trusteeship no one can deny a strong smell of breach of trust.

Is it not a fact that both Mr. Bevin and Mr. Attlee were in the previous Coalition Cabinet? Can it be that they became tainted by that coalition like certain members of the first Labour Cabinet?

When it comes to us copying the Nazis by establishing concentration camps in four countries to coop up the Jews whose immigration to Palestine we solemnly undertook to facilitate, it makes you think that the easy-going British public is not only being let down but is being saddled with a grave crime also.

Those our British propaganda sess fit to call "illegals" and "terrorists" are, in reality, fighting to protect and purify British democracy.

Yours sincerely,

Frank Cohen
the Jewish Prophet.

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FROM YOUR BIBLE.

Hear now my words: If there be a prophet among you, I the Lord will make myself known unto him in a vision, and will speak unto him in a dream. - Numb. 12.6.

The Lord thy God will raise up unto thee a prophet from the midst of thee, of thy brethren, like unto me; unto him ye shall hearken;

And it shall come to pass, that whosoever will not hearken unto my words which he shall speak in my name, I will require it of him. - Deut. 18, 15, 19.

17 GOTHAM STREET,
LEICESTER.

September 1940



Night after night, by means of Prophetic Visions, God has instructed me as a teacher, his pupil, in order to bring good counsel to mankind, which is weary because of the path it follows; the path which has brought failure to many, unemployment and starvation to millions, and crisis and the horrors of war to nearly all

I have accepted the yoke of heaven for the sake of all humanity, and beg you to pay attention to God's Plan which I bring you.

Those engaged in carrying out the mission of God can rely upon His protection from all harm. That mission is to demonstrate how, by the application of His Plan, work can be provided for the unemployed and war eradicated from the world by a new era of prosperity for all.

The present state of affairs brought about the Jewish persecutions and the war, it therefore stands self-condemned. We have been warned that unemployment will be much worse after the war; the workers must therefore either be provided with jobs, or held in check by force. The latter course implies obliteration of Trade Unions and Churches and refugee status for Jews. Communism will have no chance, therefore a corrected and adjusted Capitalist System in accord with God's Plan, is the only alternative to a new world nightmare in the shape of Democracy's brand of Fascism.

Please fill in and post the enclosed card.

Frank Cohen

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PROPHETIC VISION, 12-4-1930.

THE NEXT WAR'S RUIN.

A voice said "Macdonald is going up now." I went upstairs. One like Mr. Neville Chamberlain walked towards me from the opposite end and shook hands saying, "Good afternoon." I said, "I am Frank Cohen the Jewish prophet."

I was in the open, it was night. Before me was a strange machine, its bottom part as the chassis of a railway engine. Fixed upright from its centre was a short stem, at its top was a propeller of deep pitch revolving with great force, gleaming brightly of steel. The Divine sign appeared on it twice. I asked one with me, "Do you know what that is? It is a helicopter."

It was straining to rise. As its wheels left the ground, its front swung uselessly from side to side. First it rose only a few feet, but then flew up out of sight. I looked left and saw on the ground an unending line of such machines stretching into the distance. My spirit companion had gone up in the first machine but his voice said clearly, "Frank, I see no fat fowl only Churban ('Jeb. ruin)."

Interpretation.—Macdonald will be succeeded later on by Chamberlain, as Prime Minister, give him a message in My name, concerning London, proclaiming yourself my prophet.

The political outlook was dark. The military machine was symbolised by the iron monster, heavily built but not as a useful steam engine, neither lightly built as a useful aeroplane. As the helicopter among flying machines is the most wasteful of power because most unlike nature, so is the military machine among man's many inventions the most wasteful because the most unnatural. Valuable human powers are wasted in its organisation, valuable human beings deprived of that higher standard of life which should be our aim, and valuable human lives are smashed to smithereens by its evil work.

In order to tell us what will happen once these war machines rise in the next war, God ascended in the first one marked with his sign as in a Divine Chariot and looking down at the ground below, gave me the message for Mr. Chamberlain, and the business world.

"While each country has in mind, by such military machines, to snatch or retain, more than its fair share of the fat living hitherto furnished by the world's export markets, I, the Lord, assure you the only result will be the ruin and desolation of bombed cities, and the fat livings of the old export trade will no longer even be in existence.

The diminishing world export trade, owing to faster production and the ceaseless export of machinery, is one of the major economic problems of this age, let us deal with it and not ignore its existence, for this course has already led the Nazis to devour their Jews, shall they and the export fanatics also cause the whole world to be devoured?

GOD SPEAKS

Through His Prophet of To-day

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My dear Mr. Bevin:-

The only point where I am in complete discord with the Labour Government is its policy of Arab appeasement concerning Palestine. I as well as many of my fellow countrymen were of the opinion that the policy of the Labour Government would be more liberal in its foreign colonial views. It is obviously not.

If the Labour Government does not alter its policy
I can see the only possible solution:

1. The creation of a Palestine Republican government in exile.
2. The Palestine problem brought before the United Nations, as the mandate which the British government received, was one issued from the League of Nations which is now dissolved.
3. The termination of all lend lease and other loans.
4. A higher tariff on British goods.
5. A complete boycott of British goods by the public.
6. Complete approval of the Sternist movement.

Matthew D. Feinberg
Lt. Matthew D. Feinberg

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To the Right Honorable Clement Attlee,
Premier of England, 10 Downing Street,
LONDON, ENGLAND . . .

Honorable Sir:

It was my privilege a few weeks ago to hear over two different Radio Broadcasts the ABC reading of John Hersey's book, Hiroshima, one chapter a night, for four successive nights. These chapters are, A Noiseless Flash; The Fire; Details Investigated; and, Fever Fugue and Panic Grass. Under Details Investigated, a rescue worker told us how, when he took hold of a woman's hands to help her gently from a boat onto the dock, the skin and flesh slipped from her hands as if they had been mere gloves too large and loose. This circumstance so sickened the rescue worker that he was compelled to turn from the scene for some minutes. Flesh dropped from people as they walked. Another rescue worker told how upon hearing groans, he turned aside and found twenty soldiers (Japanese, I presume) prostrate upon the ground about a hedge. Where their eyes had been, there were but empty eye-sockets from which bloody water still ran. It is supposed that these Japanese had been looking in the direction of the Atomic Bomb when it went off. Their tongues were also consumed but instead of there being left a large, open mouth, the lips had swollen and drawn tightly so that water could be given them only thru a straw. Not a word of any kind was said of any Scripture, nor have I since heard of any Scripture in connexion with this devastation. But instantly my own heart sang as forthwith I remembered prophecy from an ancient Jewish Classic, pertaining to Judgments at the Age-End. I quote that Scripture from my copy of the American Standard translation of the Bible.

AND THIS SHALL BE THE PLAGUE wherewith Jehovah shall smite all the peoples that have warred against Jerusalem: their flesh shall consume away while they stand upon their feet, and their eyes shall consume away in their sockets, and their tongue shall consume away in their mouth. And it shall come to pass in That Day, that a great tumult from Jehovah shall be among them: and they shall lay hold, every one, on the hand of his neighbor, and his hand shall rise up against his neighbor. AND JUDAH SHALL FIGHT AT JERUSALEM. . . And so shall The Plague be of the horse, and of the mule, and of the camel, and of the ass, and of all the beasts that shall be in Those Camps, as That Plague. --- Zechariah 14:12-15. . .

We do not need to beg the question. As our lips and tongues wiggle and pronounce the verdicts written about Atomic Bomb results in Hiroshima as recorded by the roving reporter, John Hersey; and as our lips and tongue wiggle and pronounce the words used by Jewish prophet millenniums ago about "The Plague" that God will make ready and turn loose

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ENGLAND is in danger---but one hundred per cent from herself! It is the foretold Time for the Jews to return to Palestine,---not to America, Argentina or Abyssinia. Bible prophecy marks ~~xx~~ such is the Divine will after 2500 years of world dispersion. That Time is up. Therefore what the Bible calls "The Set Time" for such return is come!

I am inclosing for your considerate reading copy of one of my B rochure Books,---Eventide. Regardless of how well we may be acquainted with world situations and events and movements, after careful reading of this Brochure we shall see infinitely deeper into world situations than we could possibly do otherwise.

Spain was a greater power on land and sea than was England some centuries ago. But at the zenith of her power, Spain closed her borders so no Jew could escape and then tried to kill every Jew in her country. God kept His word, and Spain died as a first-rate power, as a second-rate power, and kept dying as a power until now for centuries Spain has not been reckoned as a world power at all!

PALESTINE belongs to the Jews 1) by Divine Gift according to the Scriptures which English folk claim to honor; 2) by literal and actual Conquest, more absolute and Divinely directed than was England's conquest of India (and here, Mr. Premier you are doing a noble thing), or of South Africa, or of Hong Kong. Also, be it remembered the few Arabs

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who were in Palestine at beginning of World War One, had moved in as Squatters, into a neighbor's house while the neighbor was away for a set time.

But when England wished to get the Arabs on her side in World War One and sent Lawrence to contact them, there were so few Arabs in Palestine that he never went there at all, but traveled only the western coastal fringe of Arabia from Mecca northward along the Pilgrim railway. The suggestion implied of "Arabian unification under a foreigner and a non-Moslem is, of course, a myth." There was not a single Arab personality in Palestine with whom the British could negotiate. Despite the much-ado now made over "promises to the Arabs", all the evidence indicates that until British policy shifted after the War, the idea that Palestine should become Arab had not even been contemplated. In the House of Commons on July 11, 1922, Winston Churchill, then Secretary of State for the Colonies, declared: "No pledges were made to the Palestine Arabs in 1915. . . . The first suggestion that Palestine was included in the area within which His Majesty's Government promised to recognize and support the independence of the Arabs, was made . . . more than five years after the conclusion of the correspondence on which the claim was based."

If we add up the total mileage of all lands in which Arabs live, from Morocco to Syria, there are more than four-and-one-half million square miles. Total Palestine (including Transjordan which belongs to the Jews) totals but 45,000 square miles; and if only country west of the Jordan is considered, only 10,000 square miles. Thus it is not true that Jewish possession even of all Palestine would deprive Arabs of needed territory. The fact is, the Arab has so much land that he is actually land poor. There is far too much land, and not enough hands to cultivate it! Iraq alone possesses in the valleys of the Tigris and the Euphrates what is potentially the richest agricultural domain in the world. Yet this one section of earth alone could support in comfort all the Arabs in all the world and yet leave ample room for other settlers. The claim that Arabs collectively need Little Palestine must be laid alongside of these facts.

BRITISH OFFICIALS may withhold from the English people (a fine people) real facts, and may even misrepresent, and mis-color the situation. Radio broadcasts may tell of British officer kidnapped, or of British soldiers being beaten or killed by Jews,--- but British officials are not telling what England was doing (and is doing) to the Jews in their Land to cause such reprisals. Britishers may think they can keep covered up their actual conduct towards the Jews in Palestine, but it can no more be kept covered than Nazis could keep covered their conduct in Germany. "Be sure your sins will find you out." If Germany is too weak to bring God's foretold "Plague" upon those who fight or wrong the Jews, maybe,---well, God will raise up the Power or the Powers who will do it, for HIS WORD, foretold before Our Day for Our Now, shall have literal fulfillment to the very last syllable! But Oh,---the millions of English eyes that presently melt in their sockets, and,---well, mark the literal words in Zechariah 14:12-15!

Surely, Mr. Prime Minister of England, you have come to Power at such a time, to try to avert This Calamity. It will NOT be done by any vigilance in the air, or by concert of Nations, for He who foretold John

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Hersey's literal words about result of Atomic Warfare foretold exactly such to be "The Plague" that Jehovah has fore-ordained to come on all who fight the Jews!

More fundamental to the welfare of the millions in Britain is actual, literal, liberation of Palestine wholly to the Jews, than is your noble steps relative to India. God has not sworn of India,--- but He has and does of Palestine-for-the-Jews, and promises in every literality to wipe out by Atomic Power Nations that oppose! Man, the word in Zechariah 14:12-15 is too vital to overlook.

God speed you, Mr. Prime Minister, and your Cabinet, and your Countrymen! I am writing at this time also Mr. Ernest Bevin, your Honorable Foreign Secretary; and your Secretary of State for the Colonies; and The London Times; and The Manchester Guardian, both the daily and the weekly editions; and the admirable Mr. Winston Churchill ---and some others.

Cordially,

John Quincy Adams
(Temporarily at) Gunn, Alberta, Canada

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Honorable Winston Churchill,
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PERSONAL: In Re the British Conference on Palestine

My dear Mr. Churchill:

First permit me to congratulate you upon your invaluable conduct of the late War into which both of our Countries were forced, England and the United States of America. You were certainly THE Man for the job.

I wish to call your attention to a most vital matter,---and surely you, perhaps better than any other, can intervene to save Britain at this point.

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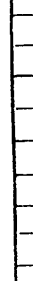
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ago about "THE PLAGUE" that God will make ready and turn loose upon and against "all who fight Jerusalem",---the words are literally the same! Man alive,---this is no trivial matter: it overflows with illuminative disclosures!

That every neighbor will lift up his hand against his neighbor as regards this "PLAGUE", means the Nations will all thus wipe each other out, the they are neighbors. And that "JUDAH"---that would be the JEWS---"will FIGHT AT JERUSALEM" means the Jews will fight in Palestine, where Jerusalem is. This means in Palestine, the Jews are not going to take Britain's Warfare upon them sitting down! They (in Palestine) are going certainly to fight back---and God has foretold that they will.

Infinitely more important than any "liberation" of India is Britain's absolutely giving Palestine to the Jews in 100% independence. God has not sworn about India,--but He has about the Jews and THEIR LAND, Palestine. He promises to cause Nations to bring each other down over this matter of having fought or afflicted the Jews. Now England may have been the first to "bring home" the Jews,---but she has notoriously become FIRST AND FOREMOST in fighting Jews in Palestine, in taking their land from them, in shutting them out of Palestine, in seizing and deporting them to Concentration Camps on Cyprus or elsewhere, in even shooting them down. Radio broadcasts may tell of Jews kidnapping British officer or officers, of their beating or killing British soldiers,---but Britain's officials are not telling what they are doing to the Jews to cause such reprisals. I take it that you will not be one so stupid as to claim turning Palestine over to the Jews for an independent homeland would be robbing Arabs of essential land. For lands in which Arabs live, from Morocco to Syria, total a sea of over four-and-a-half million square miles, while total Palestine (including Transjordan which really belongs to the Jews) has but 45,000 sq. miles, or, if land only west of the Jordan is considered, only 10,000 sq. miles. Further, the Arabs have so much land that they are actually land poor. Their areas are suffering from want of people to till the soils. All the Arabs of the world, so far as adequate support from land is concerned, could be put into the lone section of Iraq, one of the world's richest lands, between the Tigris and the Euphrates, and yet there would be room for still more settlers comfortably! The claim that Arabs need Little Palestine for their development is absolute incompatible to facts. Total Palestine belongs to the Jews 1) by right of Divine Gift according to the Scriptures (which Englishmen claim to honor), and, 2) by literal Conquest which was more Divinely directed, and was more total, than was Britain's conquest of India or Hong Kong or any area. Then 3), we should remember the few Arabs in Palestine at beginning of World War One, were there as Squatters who had moved in while a neighbor was away from home for a set period (the foretold 2500 years of the Scriptures). There were so few Arabs in Palestine at time of World War One, that when England wanted to land the Arabs on her side in that Conflict, and sent Lawrence to contact and influence and win them--- he never went to Palestine at all, but traveled only the fringe of the west coast up to Mecca. There was no responsible Arab personage in all Palestine for him to contact. I note in your speech delivered to the House of Commons on July 11, 1922, you declared "No pledges were made to the Palestine Arabs . . . until more than five years after the conclusion of the correspondence on which the claim was based." We understand well how the so-called Arab Federation of to-day is of British conception, execution, and maintenance. But suppose we think we can win holding Palestine and suppression of the Jews and hiding facts from the English people (a fine people),---

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Surely, now is the time for real Statesmanship, and I trust you are Big Enough a Man to undertake this noble enterprize of not leaving off crying facts and warnings to England till the Jew is at home in an Independent Homeland! It must be done at once,---not a silly drawing out of the matter another twenty years as it has been already so drawn, and Jews have been afflicted in Palestine by English soldiery and officials, and the world has the dates, the places, the circumstances too well at hand. But, let's take the viewpoint that we CAN put it over world opinion, we can put it over Jewish fugitives,---what about Jehovah God (The "Lion of the Tribe of Judah") who millenniums ago foretold the Plague that HE will turn loose on those who oppose Jews for Palestine,---of flesh falling from bodies while people are on their feet, of eyes melting in their sockets.


I am writing to your Prime Minister of to-day, to your Colonial Secretary, to your Minister for Foreign Affairs, to the Editors of The LOND TIMES, and The Manchester Guardian, both daily and weekly sections, and to others, as well as to men in the States.

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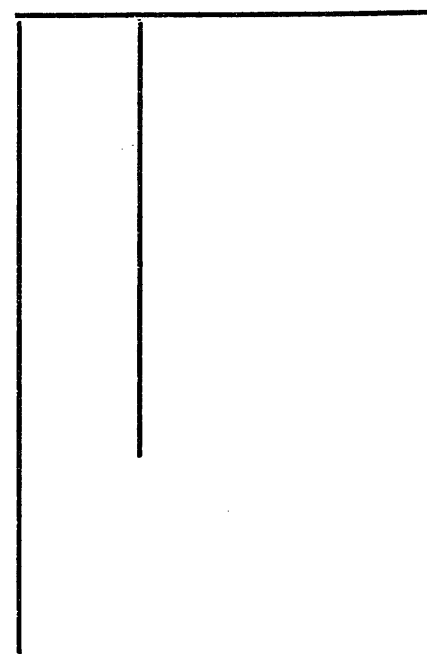
Cordially,

John Quincy Adams

I inclose for your considerate reading one of my Brochure Books,---
Ev entide. However much we may now be acquainted with world conditions
and events, we shall be able to see deeper into the significance of many
things only after reading such detailed report as is therein given.---JQA

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 "THEN I UNDERSTOOD
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EVENTIDE: First Address

By JOHN QUINCY ADAMS

WHAT TIME IS IT? . . . "It is none of your business!" . . . Now nobody answers any one in this fashion when the Time is asked for. For it may be time that a child now walk out thru the falling snows to a music lesson, given by a teacher a few blocks or a few miles away. Or it may be time for one to start to milking a dozen cows, or doing evening chores; or starting for a Lecture which one wishes to attend; or to catch a Train that leaves but once a day and which must now be had if certain necessary ship connexion be made for a world beyond.

Of course it is necessary that people know the Time-of-Day and night, at any second, and the Time-of-Month, and the Time-of-Year,—and this is why in every home, in every office, there hangs a big open Calendar, and why there are clocks and watches everywhere.

But suppose—

Suppose no one knew the Time-of-Year, nor the Time-of-Day, and could not even tell if it is day

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or night,—*HOW* would one know *WHEN* to do anything? But this is not true, it is only a supposition. True, but listen to what *IS* so: It is dark and uncertain among peoples, even among Christian peoples, as to what Time-of-Age it is, as to how far have we come in our march across the Continent of Time.

"Oh, I know that is true for most people," do you answer? "but thank God I know we are in the Last Days."

Now the one purpose of this address is to shame you for such vague, non-dependable "knowledge"; to show you that knowing simply it is now "the Last Days" is so vague that it amounts to knowing the Time not at all, and to show you to know definitely the TIME *you must look definitely at the Clock*—which tells you what hour it is, and what moment, and, yes, what second!

For knowledge to be definite, it must come from definite facts—not from general signs or feelings which, for an Age, may prevail for several hundred years.

THE CLOCK

Now the biggest thing that blinds people, even scholars, to the Time-of-Age it is, is their thinking there is no Clock that tells us more than the "general" Time. Yes, my friends, there is a Clock that tells *HOW MANY ARE THE YEARS* and

at which we can look and know *THE YEARS*. And now I wish to state to and for you, one of the biggest and one of the sweetest disclosures carried in any Literature. Listen, carefully, as now we state it, and, printers, when you come to print it, drop into a separate block form and put it in italics. Here it is:

God has never had an Age or testing-period for His people but that BEFORE such Age or testing-time comes, He foretells its character or nature, and He foretells THE EXACT NUMBER OF YEARS there will be in the Age, or testing-period, and hands this knowledge over to His people who are going to have to live in the Age or testing-time!

Proof? Here it is.

GOD FORETOLD NUMBER OF YEARS TO END OF THE ANTE-DILUVIAN WORLD

This is found in Genesis, chapter six. Men became so wicked that actually "it repented God that He had made man"! God then warned the *WORLD* "not always will My Spirit strive with man", and He foretold that He would end the world, and, He forewarned *in just how many more years* it would be: 120 Years. "And Jehovah said, My Spirit shall not strive with man for ever, for that he also is flesh; yet shall his days be a *hundred and twenty years*." Gen. 6:3. And Noah was sent forth with the message, "Yet 120 years and our world ends" and we may rest assured that he

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kept the Time-Message up-to-date. The next year he was crying, 119 more years", later, 113 years, then later only five more years, till at last he was crying to the world, "I know not the day or the hour but this is the Last Year of Grace!" And then Genesis 7:1-3 tells us that at last the literal day-date was given him. Thus God foretold to His people *how many years* it would be till "End of the World" in the ante-diluvian Age. Yes, *there is a Clock—that strikes the Years!*

NUMBER OF YEARS FORETOLD FOR SOJOURNEYING AND SLAVERY

We now pass to the time when there was no such thing as the Jewish or Israelitish people, Abraham was yet living. But he had made the many separations to which God called him, and God promised to raise up thru his seed a Nation to show forth His laws to the world. But there would be an intervening Age thru which His people must first pass, so as Abraham offered up to Jehovah God prescribed sacrifice, "when the sun was going down, a deep sleep fell upon Abraham; and, lo, a horror of great darkness fell upon him." Sun-down, deep sleep, and in that deep sleep "a horror of great darkness." We would call it a nightmare that was given him. But in it, God spoke: "Abram, know of a surety that thy seed shall be sojourners in a Land that is not theirs, and shall serve them, and they shall afflict them four hundred years . . . and in the fourth generation they shall come forth again . . ." Gen. 15:12-16. Now Abram died, his sons died, his sons' sons,—but there was now a Nation from Isaac, thru Jacob and they had years of wandering about, then into Egypt first as only servants, then servitude deepened into "affliction"

—which would be slavery. Now when the slavery part started, they could know, "No hope of deliverance for me or for my son,—but thank God in the *FOURTH GENERATION* deliverance comes!" Yes, my friends, *there is a Clock that strikes the Years!*

NUMBER OF YEARS FORETOLD FOR WILDERNESS WANDERINGS

After the hosts of Israel left Egypt, in two short years they had reached border of the long-promised Land and were ready to enter. But the idea struck them to send in spies first, to see if they could "take" the Land that God promised. The majority brought back report that to enter the Land would be utterly impossible. The mass grew angry with Moses, were about to mob him when Jehovah God intervened and, wrathful with the Israelitish hordes for failing to remember that it was *HE* Who had opened the Red Sea, Who had sent plagues of flies, lice, and darkness, Who had rained down for them angels' food from heaven—He now told them He would positively debar them from entry, and would shut them out of the Land, and that they would be Wilderness Wanderers! Oh—what a new Age or testing-period before them! But, true to His past dealings,—God foretold the nature or character ("and your children shall be wanderers in the wilderness"). But listen! He now foretells *THE NUMBER OF YEARS!* "Your children shall be wanderers in the wilderness *FORTY YEARS*. . . After the number of the days in which ye spied out the Land, even forty days, *for every day a year* . . . ye shall know My alienation." Numbers

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14:33-34. That is, at end of forty years, God's "alienation" would be up and they could then go in and take the Land, under His leadership. Ah, yes, beloved, it is one of the surest disclosures in sacred Literature: God *EVERY TIME* foretells for *HIS* people: (1) The Character or Nature of the coming Age or testing-period; and, (2) *EVERY TIME* He foretells the *NUMBER OF YEARS!*

NUMBER OF YEARS OF BABYLONIAN CAPTIVITY FORETOLD

In the Land, the people became prosperous and forgot God. God warned and warned, for more than a hundred years, that He would punish apostasy, and He called Israel to "return unto Me and I will return unto you." But the false religions that they adopted seemed so secure, and it seemed so easy to believe the warning prophets were fanatics. So Israel only grew and grew, and at last ripened dead ripe, in Apostasy—and knew it not! Now thru the prophet in whose ministry the actual fulfillment of being carried away captive into far-away Babylonia would come, God speaks again as the New Era, the Era of actual Babylonian Captivity, was being entered. Listen, carefully as we ring out the words of God from Jeremiah, and may ever after hearing (or reading) this address, the Holy Spirit Himself write upon the tables of your heart the great disclosure for *US* from these words. "Therefore, thus saith Jehovah of hosts, Because ye have not heard My words, I *WILL* destroy . . . and make desolation. . . . I *WILL* take from them the voice of mirth, and the Voice of gladness, the Voice of the Bridegroom,

and the Voice of the Bride, the sound of the mill-stones, and the Light of the Lamp. And *THIS WHOLE LAND* shall be a desolation . . . and these nations (the northern and southern kingdoms of Israel or Jews) shall serve the king of Babylon *SEVENTY YEARS!*" Jer. 25:8-11.

Yes, my friends, God *EVERY TIME* gives His people a prophecy (1) of the Character or Nature of the Age or testing-period that they are entering; and, (*hear it!*) (2nd) He *EVERY TIME* foretells to His people *THE NUMBER OF YEARS* that will be in the New Age or testing-time that is being entered! (How this reminds us of New Testament Scripture that "But ye, brethren, are not in darkness that That Day overtake *YOU* as a thief!")

NUMBER OF YEARS TO REACH TO MESSIAH FORETOLD

But the supreme thing to which Israel looked, for which all Israel yearned night and day,—was to the actual coming of the long-promised Messiah. He did not come in the terrible years of slavery in Egypt. He did not come when the hot, wilderness sun was striking down the mothers in Israel with sunstrokes. He did not come when the armies of Nebuchadnezzar hemmed in the Holy City—when Babylon's troops broke thru the wall, when the Great Temple of God was being actually burned and Jewish men, women and children were now being forcibly carried from their God-given Native Land and taken away as captives to a Strange Land that they neither knew nor loved. Oh, He did not come when—

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"Oh, Land of *REST*, for Thee I sigh!
WHEN will the happy moments come?"

Oh, *when will Messiah come?* Now that Israel is in Captivity in a Strange Land,—Jehovah God speaks to Daniel. "Daniel," says He, "not yet, no, not yet, but there will come the time when a decree shall go forth for the rebuilding of the burned Jewish Temple in Jerusalem, and for the rebuilding of the Holy City's ruined walls. Now listen carefully and write it down as a great disclosure from Me, Daniel, what I now tell you. *WHEN THAT DECREE COMES*, there will be just seventy weeks of years to reach to Messiah! But listen, also, to this. In the middle of the last week (of years) (counting forward from the decree to rebuild and to restore the Holy City), Messiah Himself will be cut off, and receive nothing!" Daniel 9:24-26. Not here and now, my friends, can we discuss the wealth of detail that is given in this prophecy. But note again—when Israel was being sorely tried as to whether to continue to hope for a coming, actual, personal Messiah, or to give up the hope as a mad delusion, God visits, and tells *THE NUMBER OF YEARS* from what event, to reach to Messiah! (Ah, under breath, or when the printer prints, in a parenthesis, we are made to remind you again of New Testament Scripture, "But ye, brethren, are not in darkness that That Day overtake you as a thief!")

WHY DOES GOD FORETELL THE NUMBER OF YEARS?

But before I close this address, I turn to the parting thought: *WHY* does God foretell ever for

His people, the *NUMBER OF YEARS* in *EVERY* Age or testing-time thru which they are to pass? To give you the answer right to the point,—It is lest we under the severity of the tests or evils of the Age, and under the weight of its years, break down, become discouraged, give up and become conformed to the evil Age in which we live, thinking "it has always been this way and always will be!" But if we know a head of time, that This Age is only for "awhile"—or, in our case for "seven whiles"—and if even beforehand we know exactly when will come the reversal, and what it will be,—we shall be strengthened to hold out, to "Hold the Fort!" for He is coming—and to know *JUST WHEN!*

ILLUSTRATIONS

Let now the pages of years whiz back till we are living in the days of Noah, and listen in to what is there and then being said and felt. "Oh, I tire of this debauchery that I see on every hand. Every where men take them wives of all that they choose, just like animals and birds do, in any place, at any time. I see it going on everyway I look,—in broad daylight, before my very eyes. Beside roads, in parked cars, in public parks, under the flowering bush. My God, my God, I tire! How long, how long? After all is it a delusion that the world will ever at last be righteous and that Messiah will reign? I give up—it gets worse the further men journey from the Days of Eden!" So God visited Noah, and told him: It is just exactly 120 Years till not one bit of this shall be anywhere on the whole planet Earth, and there will be living on it only righteous people, and the

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meek shall inherit every foot of the whole planet!

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Or, again. "Oh, this wilderness is so hot, so hot... Ever the same burning season, hot, burning weather. And no place for an abode—whoever found a happy people dwelling in a desert? Deserts are always empty. This was a big delusion that by Moses God was leading us to a Land of Milk and Honey, for our Spies told us what strong people have it, and just look, how weak we are, a weak, miserable people! Ah, for my part, I am going to forget it all,—I am going to leave this wilderness life and return to Egypt!" But when the soul remembers God foretold this, and said it would be *only for forty years*—and there are only two more, what courage to endure, to resist temptations to go back! Or, yet again: "Ah, children, last night I was reading the pages of my dear father's diary, who died in this miserable wilderness. I read, oh, look, how blessed the words! Here they are, see them, *see them?* He tells of the awful rebellion against Moses, of how even he and mother joined it, how God stopped it with a scourge and spoke to the whole hosts that now He shuts Israel out of the Land, and that they will have to wander around here just for *FORTY YEARS* for Him to cool off before He would have any thing to do with us. But He says then He returns and will see victoriously thru whoever has stayed right here, in this wilderness, waiting to go in! And from date in his diary, I see that was thirty-nine years ago! Ah, this is the *LAST YEAR* for wilderness life! This, children, is the last little garden that we shall wretchedly scratch out of this place! Then,—ah, believe me, *I AM GOING TO CROSS OVER* and go right in there! Nothing can then scare me or hold

me back, I'm going!" And all that year, the millions of fathers and mothers, the millions of boys and girls and sweethearts, all knew "This is our last year here, and we are going into the Land that we see in the distance yonder, across that valley in which lies the Jordan, and God Himself has promised to be no more alienated but will go and fight for us!"

"But father, do the Canaanites know it is going to take place next year? Knowing this, won't they be ready to repel us?" ... "No, no, my son, get this difference. Our God is Jehovah, and for His people Jehovah God *always writes history ahead of time*, so that we know what is to happen, what will surely come, and he every time writes in the history for His people *just when* what will come..." "Oh, father, I am glad our God is Jehovah who always tells His people before the Age or test begins for *HOW MANY YEARS IT IS*, and that we are not in darkness as the Canaanites as to what comes *WHEN!*"

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But I must leave off these illustrations that show us *What good* is there in knowing *THE TIME!* *TODAY* we are living in a period, an Age, longer than the years for Israel of wilderness wandering, longer than the years of Babylonian Captivity, longer than the 120 years to reach to End of the Ante-diluvian World. Ours already has been longer than the 400-and-some-odd-years of (1) Sojourning, (2) Servants, (3) Slavery, of ancient Israel in Egypt. *How long, for How Long is THIS AGE?* Has God broken His rule of writing for His people History ahead of time? and has He forgotten to foretell for us *HOW MANY YEARS* are in our Age?

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No, my brethren, God has not broken His rule either of foretelling the character of the Age for the peoples who pass thru it, nor has He forgotten His rule to tell ahead of time *HOW MANY YEARS* there are for Our Present Period! And with that, I shall deal in my next address, and I shall bring forth—what the *FULNESS OF THE SCRIPTURES ON THE SUBJECT* says. Remember my address a few days ago, “*HOW* God speaks and does not speak in the Scriptures?” Now I know the usual method of ministers, ministers with collegiate and theological decrees, and the unschooled ones also, is to fly off with, “Jesus says no man will know the Time.” I shall not dodge any passage on the Time. And remember that last study, *HOW* God speaks and does not speak in the Scriptures,—I said before we can know what God really and actually says on *ANY* subject, we must collect together as a one continuous whole *ALL THAT HE SAYS IN THE ENTIRE BIBLE* on the subject; and that then, and only then, do we have what God really says on the subject. I am now collecting into one whole all the Scriptures on *KNOWING THE TIME*,—and in this discourse the collection has shown us one of the sweetest things in Scriptures. Namely, For His people, God always foretells (1) every Age or testing-period thru which they must pass; (2) its character or nature; and, oh please never forget it, —(3) the *NUMBER OF YEARS* therefor!

CONFIRMATIONS

As the above address was delivered, the following Divine Confirmations were poured out, on what

or which points. After reading each, pause just one second in meditation thereon, only one second, before you pass to the next—*J.Q.A.*

1. When Mr. Adams made statement that all activities are contingent upon knowing the Time—that the Time determines whether we now pass to a Class, or go for a train, or go to do chores, or plant a crop, or what we do,—the Holy Spirit said right out, “*Pauline sunshine!*” Comment: Then if we know not definitely What Time it is in the Age,—we are not in the brightest, purest light (meaning of “Sunshine”) which always goes with walking in the ablest apostleship (meaning of “Pauline”). It also shows this study on knowing *THE NUMBER OF YEARS* is not “heresy”, or “time lost”, or “fanaticism”—but it is “sunshine” and it is “sunshine” that is “*PAULINE*”! Will you today enter the “Sunshine” and ever after this take it with you, everywhere you go? . . .

2. When we explained that in the prophecy of Jewish sojourning, servanthship and at last slavery, and in prophecy on how long therefor God put in the words (as recorded in Genesis) “Know for a surety” that these words meant not only would the prophecy be true but the foretold number of years would be “sure” also, the Holy Spirit’s message came, “*Had a fall, had a fall, had a fall! Bring this celestial heat to the Body, for the Body decays!*” Comment: Christians have veritably fallen from thinking God foretells for His people the actual number of years in every Age—and God calls this change of attitude positively a “Fall”, three times over lamented. The Holy Spirit calls this Bible disclosure that shows so far in all past times God has foretold the *NUMBER OF YEARS*

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in every Age or testing-time, "heat"—and "celestial heat", which would mean heavenly heat,—and says it should be given to the body of Christians everywhere, that it will positively help stop "decay" and bring life and restoration again! Think on this. . . 3. When we showed from Daniel that God foretold to the Jews the very year-date when Messiah would come to His temple, and the very year-date of His crucifixion (being "cut off"), the Tongues-Message came, "*I sought you in the oil; salute the heart!*" Comment: "Oil" as a Divine symbol (as here) ever typifies the Holy Spirit. That God foretold the number of years from what event to Messiah, and to His cutting off, was His veritably seeking them by the Holy Spirit so that Jews (and all men) might positively know *WHEN* Messiah did come. Oh, dear Jews everywhere, meditate upon this message and know that Messiah came hundreds of years ago and was "cut off", rejected! . . . 4. Also when we pointed out Daniel's prophecy of the *NUMBER OF YEARS* to Messiah, the Holy Spirit's Tongues-Message came, "*Decayed in heart! Listen to the local ringing!*" Comment: "Ringing", we believe, means alarm; and "Local ringing" would mean "local alarm". "Local" means at this place, and this place does not refer to Gunn, where we spoke, but to this place that we were in the Scriptures,—Daniel's prophecy on *NUMBER OF YEARS* to reach to Messiah! God calls one and all to listen to the "*ALARM*" that rang forth in *THIS SCRIPTURE!* Listening to it, would cause every Jew (and every man) to know Messiah has already come,—and how long ago. Please meditate on this. . . But the message also indicates a "decay" in "heart" if Time-Tables on *NUMBER*

OF YEARS are not listened to! So, my friends, if God in the Scriptures or by the prophets has foretold the very Number of Years for our Age,—are we not "decayed in heart" if we (whoever we be) say "Men can't know the Time"? We would be as blind as Jews in centuries past who after Daniel's Time-Table on YEAR-DATE of Messiah's first advent might say, "No one can know when Messiah will come"—when God said it would be just certain number of years from decree to restore Jerusalem. How we Christians lament "Jewish blindness" as "inexcusable". But when God has foretold (as later address shows) *NUMBER OF YEARS* for our World, are we not just as "blind" ("*decayed in heart*" the Holy Spirit calls it) if we say "We can't know when ends Today's World"? And yet, *EVERY PREACHER* (and their Christian followers) are today saying "No one can know the Time". "Decayed in heart", says the Holy Spirit of every such person,—be he pentecostal, protestant or papal,—*decayed in heart*, decayed *IN HEART!* Oh, meditate on this,—and shudder! . . . 5. When we made statement that every time God foretells the Number of Years for each Age or Period, the Holy Spirit said right out, "*I boost the Body!*" Comment: Such knowledge of the actual *NUMBER OF YEARS* there is in and for the Age, *GOD* says "boosts the Body"—not the worldlian (maybe) but positively every one who is a real sure enough member of the Body of Christ! They don't see "fanaticism" in such study—they see the *FULLNESS OF THE SCRIPTURES ON THE SUBJECT* and receive quickening, awakening, positive inflow of new Life! . . . 6. When we asked, Does God not tell us the *NUMBER OF YEARS* for *THIS AGE*, the Holy Spirit said,

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“*I gaze at the will of God!*” Comment: God here indicates it positively is not “foolishness” or “heresy” but “*the will of God*” for us to learn His foretold Number of Years for this present Age, and to “gaze” thereon. The Dictionary defines “gaze” as “*to look earnestly and steadily, as in concern.*” Ah, do you look “earnestly” and “steadily” therein, as “concerned”? Or have you been one of the many who heretofore has been saying “The Bible says no man will know the time”? Ah, stop, look again, look long, and look steadily! Have you ever put together *ALL* that the Bible says on *The Time*? Let me tell you when you do so, you will indeed have a Pocket (and Heart) Classic—which you will want ever to keep, and to tell others of, every one you meet: “Come and see what I have found!” . . . 7. When we said in later address we will present the Scriptures that show the Number of Years for this Age, the Holy Spirit said right out, “*Running oil!*” Comment: In Divine symbolism, “oil” stands for the Holy Spirit as above said, and “running oil” is God calling this Study which is herewith presented to you as a veritable gushing forth in flow of the *HOLY Spirit*! Ah, Extra! Extra! God foretells ahead of time that the presentation we announce as intending to make of the Scriptures that show the Number of Years for This Age will be veritable *floodtides of the Holy Spirit*! Then shall we not each and every one want to master that presentation till it becomes our own,—regardless of how men (“who sit in darkness”) mock or denounce?

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EVENTIDE—Second Address

By JOHN QUINCY ADAMS

TOO MANY CHRISTIANS are of the opinion that we can never know anything about the Time in the sense of when comes End of today's world or Age. But they err grievously, not knowing the Scriptures on the subject. God has never ended an Age without giving specific warnings of that end and of *just when it would come*. "Yet one hundred and twenty years" was His definite message to the ante-diluvian world. People then were not only permitted but were compelled to know the Truth about the Time, and Noah kept the count of Years accurately before the world. Now while New Testament says of the ante-diluvians "they knew not until the Flood came and took them away" (Matt. 24:38; Lk. 17:27), it was not because God hid from His people the Truth about the Time. It could only be from unbelief of God's Time-Table on when would end that World.

Not yet are we going to review any of the several Time-Tables that are Divinely given for this present age. But in this afternoon's talk it is our purpose to awaken Christians to *the fact* that the Scriptures teach all should know, and that some positively will know, the Truth about the Time. Until this is realized, people will hardly give the Bible Time-Tables consideration.

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and that therefore any study on such topic is foolishness. They say that the Bible says "none shall understand"; that Jesus says of the Time, "no man can know the day or the hour"; and that He told His disciples and means it for all coming generations of Christians that "it is not for you to know the Times and the Seasons which the Father hath set within His own authority." Further, they think He said and meant for all coming people, "in an hour ye think not, I come!" But the truth is that all of these statements are *twisted Scriptures* and in this brief study we intend not to dodge or ignore a single one of them, but we intend to review absolutely *EVERY* Scripture that people use (rather, mis-use) to make any one think God would hide from mankind all knowledge, or at least all definite knowledge, of just when comes end for Today's World.

WHAT THE SCRIPTURES SAY

Reviewing the mis-used passages in the order in which they come in the Bible, they run from Daniel to Revelation. Yet they are extremely few—only seven at the most extended count. And just here, permit us to call to your attention aforetime a sweet peculiarity about every one of them: *Read all that is said on the subject, and we shall find such understanding is withheld only from the devout who live before the End-Time comes, and from the worldly of all time; and further, in these very same passages, as we read the whole in each case, we hear God declare that some shall positively find, know and appropriate DEFINITE knowledge on the End-Time from the TIME-TABLES!*

1. Some people say when God gave Daniel Time-Table on when ends Today's World (or when comes Resurrection), He told Daniel such knowledge is "shut up and sealed" against understanding. Two words on this objection, either of which explodes it. First: If understanding of the Divinely given Time-Table on when comes End for Today's Age were shut up and sealed from understanding for all generations,—why would God have Daniel to record it permanently in the Scriptures, of which New Testament says "*EVERY SCRIPTURE* is profitable . . . that the man of God be perfect"? And why would Jesus tell us we must live by "*EVERY WORD* that comes from the mouth of God"? These Time-Tables are "words from the mouth of God", and they are certainly Holy Scripture,—in fact, they are found no where else. Next, turn to the actual passage and see what is the actual wording: "Go thy way, Daniel, for the words are shut up and sealed"—for ever? against all coming generations? No, no, or why would they be given? "*Read on*" as the Holy Spirit so often prays right out thru us. "The words are shut up and sealed *TILL THE TIME OF THE END!*" Now if we go to a Bank and find it closed and see on its door a sign which reads, "Closed till Nine o'clock Tomorrow"; that is equally saying "Open at Nine Tomorrow"; "Closed till Time of the End" is declaring that understanding of when comes End of Today's World or Age is shut up and sealed against the early generations of Christians. In mercy God would not have them to know that it would be nearly 2,000 years off. But His same attribute of *Mercy* makes Him disclose meaning of these Time-Tables to the generation on which He re-

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turns! Closed only till Time of the End,—means the deeper we go into the general End-Time, the clearer the understanding of such knowledge shall become. Thus first objection, that God has sealed shut such understanding for all generations, is a twisted Scripture. The passage really declares, Shut up to early man, Open for the End-Generation!

2. Some people there are who will say that God told Daniel of this knowledge "none shall understand." Again, we say turn and see what the actual wording is. Speaking of the sealing of such understanding till general End-Time, God says: "**MANY**"—and when Jehovah God says "many" we may rest assured a multitude is meant,—"**MANY** shall purify themselves and make themselves white, and be refined; but the wicked shall do wickedly; and **NONE OF THE WICKED SHALL UNDERSTAND**". But oh, speaker, oh, reader! don't, *don't* stop there for God has not yet ended the sentence, but "*Read on!*" as the Holy Spirit used to pray thru us so much. The sentence goes on to say, "but **THEY THAT ARE WISE SHALL UNDERSTAND**"! Daniel 12:8-10. Thus men twist the Scripture to say "none shall understand" when instead it says "*none of the wicked shall understand*", and then it immediately tells us some ("the wise"—"they that are wise") positively will understand the **TIME-WHEN** from these Tables!

3. Some ministers use 1st Thess. 5:2 as follows: "For yourselves know perfectly that the Day of the Lord so cometh as a thief in the night." Then they preach some such sermon from it as this:

"Brethren! You have just now heard New Testament say the Day of the Lord comes as a thief in the night. Now none of you know if a thief will come tonight while you are here at church, or tomorrow night, or at any time this week, or this month, this or next year, or when. You don't know if a thief will visit you at any time in your whole lifetime. So, says New Testament, is the coming of the Day of the Lord. Let us stand together and sing the closing hymn." Ah, my friends, why not "*Read on*", as the Holy Spirit used so to pray right out thru me? If only we read on, we shall hear exactly the reverse of this situation for some: "But ye, brethren, are not in darkness that That Day"—the Day of the Lord which is just mentioned,—"*should overtake you as a thief!*" 1st Thess. 5:2-4. Thus God says we should not have this true of us. Such a state He calls "darkness" and in this same passage He tells us there is a "Light" that would make us know the Time-When instead of its being at an unknown time, such as is the coming of a thief in darkness!

4. In Rev. 3:3 the words do positively occur: "I will come as a thief, and thou shalt not know what hour I will come upon thee!" But why not "*Read on*", (as the Holy Spirit urges) by reading all of this very sentence? This statement is prefaced by the condition, "**IF THOU DOST NOT WATCH**"! Thus His coming in this very Scripture at an hour not known is depicted as a *curse*, and is to be avoided, but is the situation only *IF* we are not sufficiently "watching"! Thus again the very reverse is said to be the situation in which God wishes to find His own!

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Beloved: I have completed a frank and open-faced review of absolutely every Scripture that people ever twist into making appear as if God is like a mousetrap, *Bang!* and suddenly, without any warning, a world is crushed or wiped out, an Age is ended. Ah, they malign the character of God, they do not know His character, who say, "God has hidden from mankind the Time when He calls out Time-Tables which show when ends our Age or World. A complete review shows the following facts, clearly disclosed by the mercy, love and purpose of Jehovah God:

1. He gives Time-Tables to tell "*HOW LONG*" is the present Age—Tables which "Tell Out the Years," Tables which "Ring Out the Years" to all men who will only "Read on" and put together *all that the Scriptures say on the subject.*

2. In mercy, He would not have early men know "*HOW LONG*" they would have to wait, so He tells us understanding of these Time-Tables would be hidden, sealed from, early men. He did this

3. And as the End-Time draws on, God positively promises some shall know the Time—and all should!

4. A fourth thing a study of all the Scriptures on the subject discloses: The “wicked” shall not understand the Time from the Time-Tables at all!

Now a full collection of all the Scriptures on knowing the Time show that at last even the wicked know and understand an End, the End, is come—when at last it is actually upon them. We learn from Rev. 6: 15ff, “And the kings of the earth,” its rulers—the Roosevelts, the Georges, and the Marys, and—“the princes and the chief captains”—the Goerings, the Goebbels, the Chamberlains, the Daladiers—“and the rich”—the Rockefellerers, the Fords, the movie stars—“and the strong”—the Hitlers, the Stalins, the Mussolinis—“and every bondman” (those living under dictatorships)—“and every freeman” (those living under Democracies)—“hide themselves in the caves and the rocks of the mountains; and they say to the mountains and to the rocks, ‘Fall on us, and hide us from the face of *HIM* that sitteth on the throne, and from *THE WRATH OF THE LAMB*,’ for”—reason for it—“the Great Day of their wrath *IS* come, and who is able to stand?” Now we mean no reflection against the parties above named, some of whom we hold in high personal esteem, but we note from the full Scriptures the significance that as the End actually occurs, “*EVERY* bond-

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man and freeman" will know of a Truth: *This is the Day of the Lord!* The full Scriptures thus tell us when the thing actually occurs, every "cuss" is going to know "The Time"—but none of the "cusses" will understand "The Time" from the *TIME-TABLE*—but those of heavenly wisdom, God positively promises shall know the Time—*ahead of time—from the Divinely given Time-Tables!*

A Voice from Heaven: "Unto you is given the Mystery of the Kingdom of God!"

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CONFIRMATIONS

On the above, 25 beautiful heavenly Confirmations were poured forth; but we have room to print but five. Meditate one second on each.—
J.Q.A.

1. When we said New Testament says: "*EVERY* Scripture" is for making perfect the man of God and that these Bible Time-Tables are "Holy Scriptures," in fact are found no where else, the Holy Spirit's Tongues-Message came, "*Yea, God is no guesser and He would not have His children to be guessers. He tells them His program—and He tells them WHEN PROGRAM CHANGE COMES!*"

2. When we said people take Jesus' statement that was made 2,000 years ago that then "no one knoweth" the Time as meant by Him to apply to all coming generations, Holy Spirit's message came, "*Have you become an eater of this and so become fastened in this stock?*" Comment: When we were a child and were studying history, we saw

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celestial power, as being "coming editions of *The Gathering Call*." And now as we set forth in detail a Time-Table to tell us definitely *WHERE WE ARE TODAY*, God calls it a "Whistle" and says Heaven "praises" it! Ah, as you finish this *TIME-STUDY* you will by the Spirit discern it is a "Whistle for Station"—the Grand Terminal Station that now is actually reaching your ears!

EVENTIDE—Third Address

By JOHN QUINCY ADAMS

The following is the closing of Three Addresses on "Knowing the Time," which Mr. Adams chose as the monthly subject most helpful toward awakening people and toward deepening their spiritual life.

MY FRIENDS: We have come now to the close of our Conference for deepening our spiritual life, and again you have asked me to bring the monthly addresses on some subject that I think will do most to quicken our spiritual life. My three addresses are all on the one same subject: *Know the Time!* And, I do not mean know it vaguely, or generally—but know it definitely, specifically, and literally!

When we look at the face of the earth-clock, at a glance every man, woman and child sees how many hours are in the day; and prominently displayed "hands" at a glance disclose the hour-and-minute it is in the whole of the twelve hours, exactly where we are. Who is there that will say of earth-time, "People don't need to know the time?" Every smallest fellow knows there is great need for such. Now in this closing address on "The Time of Age"—I wish to introduce the Age-Clock—and for each and all to see plainly therefrom that as heretofore God has foretold the *NUMBER OF YEARS* for every Age or test for His people,—so He has done for our present Age; the Age of Jewish world-dispersion, the Age of Gentile world-rule. And when I am through, I hope each and all of you can see the Great Big Face of "God's Clock"—and can see as there are twelve hours in the day, there are 2,520 years in this Age; and as we can know at what hour we are, and how many hours remain in and for the day as we look at the earth-clock so people can learn to look at "God's Clock" and know exactly where we are in the 2,520 Years for this Age—and how much yet remains in the Age. And where is the man that will say of such knowledge, "People don't need to know the Time?" That man is everywhere—in all the pulpits of all pentecostal, protestant and papal churches today, and in all the pews. He is yourself (most likely) and myself, only a few years ago—some twenty years ago. But the fellow (a child) who says of the Time-of-Day, people don't need clocks and watches, and nobody needs to know the time—has not developed much in life; he has not reached Time-Consciousness, and is doing nothing by schedule, and there-

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fore is really doing nothing at all. And so, I tell you frankly, my friends, the man or the woman who concerning God's Clock says: "No such Clock is needed, people don't need to know the Time"—has not yet become spiritually Time-Conscious. He knows not the actual significance of every year in which he now lives—and spiritually is not far developed yet, though he (or she) may bear academic and theological degrees and be the idol of millions of some denomination or movement—which corresponds to calling the toddler "Mama's Man." Now from Revelation, sixth chapter, we have seen that when the End is actually falling, every "cuss" will know the Time (Daniel calls them "the wicked.") "This is the Great Day of the Lord." But we have heard the Scriptures say that God's children ought to know from the Divinely-given Time-Tables *when the End is going to come*, when it is due—*ahead of time!*

AN AGE OF "SEVEN TIMES"

Our present Age is of one kind for the Jews, of another kind for Gentiles; spiritually, that is, as regards the spiritual privileges and Divine callings, it is the same for Jew and Gentile. But as regards the racial, political and social aspects, the present God foretold is an Age of world-dispersion and pogroms for Jews, but of world rule and dominion, for Gentiles. This makes a great difference. The forecast of the present Age, both as to its character and as to the time-length therefor, was given first to Moses for the Jews, in a mountain-peak Bible chapter of prophecy, Levit. xxvi. Briefly summarized, the speech there as recorded from Jehovah is as follows: "Israel, now I am going to take

you into the Land I have long promised you. In the Land, you are going to prosper, become rich, and forget Me. Actually, you are going to forget how I led you through hot burning wilderness, made a special cloud to cool you, caused big boulders to gush forth with cool waters for you, and how I rained down from Heaven angels' food daily for you for forty years. You are going to turn your back upon Me. But listen, Israel, when you do, what I am going to do. I am going to set My face against you; I will break the pride of your power—that would be to overthrow their sovereignty. "They that hate you shall rule over you, your strength shall be spent in vain, your land shall not yield increase, neither shall the trees of the land yield their fruit. I will bring a sword upon you which shall execute upon you the vengeance of the Covenant. I will make your cities waste, and your sanctuaries desolate. I will bring the Land into such desolation that your enemies that dwell therein shall be astonished at it. You will I scatter among the Nations and I will draw out the sword after you, even in those strange Lands," which would be the promise of oppression and pogroms. *Such the foretold character of this Age, as regards the Jews in all Lands!* And four times over (remember, four times over) God foretells the duration-length of the Age, mystically, as a period for or of "Seven Times!"

The details of this Age as to character and duration-length for Gentiles was many centuries later (as this Age actually began), foretold in a prophetic dream-fulfillment to a Gentile world-ruler, Nebuchadnezzar, and interpreted by Daniel for him, in another mountain-peak Bible chapter of

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AN AGE OF 2520 YEARS

The two periods, one of Seven Times for the Gentiles and the other of Seven Times for the Jews, are contemporaneous! The "Seven Times" of Gentile World-Rule are contemporaneous with the "Seven Times" of Jewish World-Dispersion and Jewish world-oppression.

How long are "Seven Times?" Note carefully, just as this term is Biblically given, so every step in interpretation is from the Bible also. In Rev. 12: 6-14, we read that "a time, times and a half" (that is, three and a half times) are 1,260 days—whence one "Time" would be a period of 360 Days, and "Seven Times" would be a period of 2,520 Days. But more than this number of literal days have passed, and yet there has con-

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tinued Jewish world-dispersion and Gentile world-dominion. What does it mean? Remember to "Read on!" as the Holy Spirit used to pray right out through me so much and so often. When we read all that the Bible says about "days," while in practically all cases a "day" is a term of 24 hours only, as is the "day of hireling"—yet, whether we like it or not, God Himself tells us there are some times when a "day" stands for a "year." Two requirements must obtain simultaneously before the term of a "day" ever stands for a "year" in God's reckoning. (1) The period to which it applies, must be one foretold in prophecy; and, (2) the foretold prophetic period must be one of chastisement or of testing. Now when both these situations obtain simultaneously—God over and over, right plain out, tells us that "a day is a year!" I know there are some writers who do not like this interpretation. But, note our next statement: No man invented such application for "a day" in prophetic periods of prophecy—but it is positively declared, time over and again, in book after book of the Holy Scriptures, and by no less an Authority than Jehovah, God Himself. Here are some references, by which one may check up for himself and have positive knowledge—not guess-work or speculation. Num. 14:34; Ezek. 4: 4-6; Isa. 34: 8; 61: 2; 63: 4. Then, collecting and putting together as a one continuous whole all that the Scriptures say on knowing the Time—our present Age is one for, and only for, 2,520 years!

WHEN BEGAN AND WHEN END THESE 2520 YEARS?

Oh, who can tell us, and who will tell us WHEN began these Years—so that we shall know when

our Age ends? Answer: *Jesus will*—Jesus will tell us. In Luke 21: 24, He says, "They (the Jews) shall fall by the sword and shall be led captives into all Nations; and Jerusalem shall be trodden down of the Gentiles UNTIL the Times of the Gentiles be fulfilled!" This tells us while Jerusalem is governed ("trodden down") by Gentiles, it is "the Times of the Gentiles." Then find out when began Gentile rule at Jerusalem, since when there has been no more Jewish independent rule at the Holy City—and on the authority of Jesus of Nazareth we have when began the 2,520 Years of this present Age!

FOUR BEGINNINGS— FOUR ENDINGS

Remember, do you, that we asked you to note Leviticus tells us *four times over* that Jewish dispersion and oppression would be for Seven Times? And that Daniel *four times over* tells us at end of Seven Times the World-Tree, which typifies the Gentile World-Dominion, shall be cut down? Expositors have taken this as prophetic hint that this Present Age or world regime would be instituted by four successive strokes at beginning, and will come down in four successive strokes at the end,—and each end-stroke comes exactly at a period of 2,520 years future to each beginning stroke! Oh, what Light—and especially when we can check up on it and lo, what we find!

In B.C. 677 Esarhaddon took into captivity the Ten Tribes,—whence the 2,520 years reach thru 1843 A.D., and point 1844 as a terminal crisis year-date toward ending today's world! But the Ten Tribes were not "Jerusalem," and Jesus says

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the treading down of Jerusalem. In 604 B.C., acting for his father Nabopolassar, Nebuchadnezzar carried captive some Jews right out of Jerusalem itself! Whence the 2520 years would reach *thru* 1916, and would blaze 1917 A.D. as another terminal crisis year-date in ending today's world regime. Then in 600 B.C., during the reign of the Jewish king Jehoiakim, yet other captives from Jerusalem itself were taken to Babylon,—whence the 2520 Years reach *thru* 1920, and mark A.D. 1921 as a third terminal crisis year-date in the procession of terminal crises as regards this present World or Age. Measured from the fourth and last beginning stroke, a terminus is marked for about the 1940-es, in which Resurrection likely comes, as it is 2520 years future to the last beginning stroke,—tho the Great Tribulation would then follow, after. Now if we are at a railway station, waiting for an expected Train, if we wish to know if it is going to come in "*On Time!*", all we need do is to look at the Time-Table by which the Train is running, note *thru* what stations it is already due to have passed, wire back to these and see if it is running *On Time*. Then we know how dependably it will come in "*On Time*" at our station. Look,—all those "terminal years" of 1844, 1917, and 1921 are passed! Let us "wire back" to them and see if the "Train" came in at these "stations" *On Time!*

1844 A.D. In 1844 A.D. the Nations of Europe (including Russia!) compelled the Sultan of Turkey to grant *Religious Toleration* to his subjects! Up until this date, his subjects had to be Moslems

or their heads would come off! Now this was absolutely the *FIRST TIME* any kind of Gentile power was lifted from off the Holy City since the beginning of Gentile rule there, more than two millenniums ago. And, it did not come in 1843, nor in 1845, but *EXACTLY* in 1844 A.D.,—which was exactly 2520 years future to first beginning stroke of Gentile dominion over Palestine! And it was this manner of reasoning that enabled Chas. Buck, in his "Theological Dictionary", back as early as 1812, to name right out the year-date of 1844 and to say that there would probably be a beginning of reverses to the Moslem Power at Jerusalem in that suggested year-date! The Train, came in "*On Time!*" (Note: In our large book, *The Prophetic Word*, of over 1,000 pages, we reproduce quotations from the actual correspondence of the Nations at that time to the Turkish Sultan that brought this result.—J.Q.A.)

1917 A.D. From now on we are on very familiar ground. What happened in 1917 A.D.? The world war was on and it was hard to tell who would win. The Allies stood with their backs pushed to the English Channel by the Germans. It was a life-and-death struggle. A drowning man will grasp at a straw. Any "straw" that might turn the tide, the Allies sought for. Ah, they suddenly thought, there are the Jews, scattered in every country of the world, even in enemy Lands. Let's get them on our side! But how can we do it—? Oh, even though we are now down and with hands practically tied, let's cry it out to the world that we are going to take the Holy Land and give it to the Jews for an independent Homeland! Fine! Which nation shall we choose to make the statement?

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EVENTIDE

1921 A.D. But 2520 years future to the third beginning stroke brings us *thru* 1920 and over into 1921. How is it that exactly in this year-date Britain appointed Sir Herbert Samuels (now Lord Samuels), *a Jew*, the first Governor for Palestine,—the first time the Holy Land had a Jewish governor for two millenniums? And it *did* come to pass in year-date exactly 2520 years future to third beginning stroke in the B.C. era!

Next due, is "The Grand Terminal Station" for This Age, my friends! Here is what I have found, so far, from my researches into year-date when fell last independent Jewish king at Jerusalem. I tabulate the verdicts of ten reputable historians. But,—isn't it strange, that they differ among themselves on just when this occurred?

587 B.C.—says H. Grattan Guinness in his "Light for the Last Days".

536 B.C. say *The Britannica* (11th edition); Ridpath's *History of the World*; Hasting's *Dictionary of the Bible*; Barnes's *General History*.

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585-84 B.C.—says Major Wadge in his book, "The Seven Times".

TWO OBSERVATIONS.

From the above tabulation from ten reputable historians, two outstanding and very apparent *FACTS* strike us. The first is that historians actually differ as to when was the final fall of the Holy City, since when there has been no more Jewish sovereignty there! The next fact is also plain to all. It is that the historians differ on date of final overthrow, yet in the opinions of them all (or of the ten that we have reviewed), it came at some time in the 580-es B.C. From such *last beginning stroke*, the 2520 years would reach over to our 1940-es A.D. We are now in that decade,—and sure enough the World's greatest Judgment stroke is raging, worldwide in the present *Global War*! Likely it is during its course that Resurrection comes,—as the 1940-es are indicated by counting forward 2520 years from the *last beginning stroke* in the B.C. 580-es!

In the past some able men, greatly beloved in various branches of the Church General, have reviewed this Time-Table of the "Seven Times" or 2520 Years: *Baxter*, founder and first editor of "The Christian Herald" in both London and New York, in 1866; *Guinness*, about the same time in his book, "Light for the Last Days"; *Cachemaille*, in 1917,—late Scholar of Gonville and Caius College, Cambridge; and *Dawson*, in the 1920-es, a holder of scientific honors from foremost scientific organizations in both hemispheres. But all these seem to have overlooked the *FACT* that historians do differ

(as we have above shown) on date of final overthrow of Jewish sovereignty; and, like practically all Christians, they err in their opinion on "How ends our World or Age". It is not the burning up of earth's literal dirt and rocks,—but of its every regime; and the "fire" that does it, according to plain verdict of the Scriptural Classics, is the fire of Violence, tersely called by the prophets, *The Sword*! Not here can we go into this precious matter, but we refer our readers to Isa. 26: 19-21, where in connexion with Resurrection (said five times over) "The Earth . . . the Earth" (twice said) will be witnessing a literal killing of people by slaughter so great that the dead cannot be buried. That "the Earth" is twice said, means the slaying is *Global War*. We also refer to Jeremiah 25: 15-38. There the subject is plainly declared to be "The Sword", repeatedly and positively said. "The Earth" is also twice declared to be in view (not local Palestine or a few countries), verses 29 and 30. Further, we there read as to who is meant, such as these literal terms: "ALL the inhabitants of the *EARTH*", "ALL the kingdoms of the *WORLD*", "which are upon the face of the *EARTH*", and "ALL *FLESH*", when God has just said "the Earth, the Earth". Verses 26, 29, 30, 31, and 33. That *Global War* is the way our world or Age ends, is frankly and openly said in the 27th verse. It is the "fire" that consumes our Age (world),—but not the planet's precious soil and noble rock. By this glorious and very illuminating Time-Table, to-day we have reached the actual time when now it is the matter of but a few years and the exact meaning has been proven even to the doubting and the prejudiced.

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GUARANTEES

But, my brethren, this Time-Table of the SEVEN-TIMES of 2520 Years—carries infallible guarantees of its dependability with it. We must note those—which no writer we have ever read, or have ever heard of, seems to have discerned,—but which are very plain.

1. Jewish Guarantee.

In the first place, if you or I were at some one's home and they were rude to us, we would have sense enough to get up and "go home." Now ALL NATIONS have at some time or the other been rude, very rude, to the Jews. Why have not the Jews left all Lands and returned "home"—to the Holy Land? They could not because by Divine decree God shut them out of the Holy Land for these "Seven Times" or 2520 Years.

But now, as the 2520 Years are very, very near actual close, Jews, like homer pigeons, are flocking "Back Home"—proving the Time is up, or is ending!

2. Guarantee of Details for Ending Today's World.

But look, what the Christian Classics tell us comes then, and NOT UNTIL THEN—and comes for "ending the World"—our Age. In 1928, a writer in the U.S. Cavalry Journal wrote that in his estimate the worst engine for destruction now "Ready" is Mustard Gas, which will be released from high-up, invisible airplanes, and will come down not as a gas but as a MIST, and which will linger for days on grasses, buildings, trees,—for neither sunshine nor wind dries it up. It will penetrate, he continued, clothing, leather (shoes),

rubber, feathers, and make incurable sores on all flesh which it at last touches! He said not one word about the Scriptures—he knows not of them. But as I read, my heart leaped and I said, "Oh, my God! THIS IS THAT of which we are told in the Apocalypse as will go forth at ending today's world—and will not go forth until then!" In Revelation, chapters 15-16, we read that Time at last comes when door to Heaven's Temple is shut and God orders it to stay shut so "no man might enter in" till all the Woes are "finished", and then are poured out God's Seven Plagues upon the earth, at ending today's world. The very FIRST one is "poured out" from above, and makes "SORES greivous and noisome" upon men! And all the Nations of the World are now "READY" with exactly this which the Apocalypse says comes only as the Seven Times of 2520 Years are up for today's World!

Look again, as we pull back the darkness from these blessed Time-Tables and Scriptures on what then comes—and behold one other thing today. In Zeph. 1: 2-3 we are told of plagues that go forth only at ending Today's world, as will "consume the birds of the heavens, and the fishes of the sea" or waters. Now in 1928 we read from special literature of the International Red Cross that Nations then were already "READY" with such poison-gases as will HANG INVISIBLY over rivers of rushing waters and will make deadly such running waters to all who drink of it. The International Red Cross (back then) said running does not purify it, nor does boiling make the water less deadly. The purpose is to strike at the water supplies of great cities—which usually tap

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Beloved, please tell me one thing, will you? **HOW IS IT** that these plagues which millenniums ago the Christian Classics foretold in detail as coming **ONLY** to end our world—now all come and are blazing sky-high over all the world—**ONLY** as the 2520 Years **ARE ENDING!**

The one supreme business now of every real Christian over all the world, is to be no longer bound to denominational creeds, but *Get Ready to go Home! The End is here.*

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CONFIRMATIONS

Space forbids our listing the Divine Confirmations that were poured out on this third address. But we shall here list two,—meditate upon each.

1. Back in the first address, as we said later we shall present a Time-Table that tells us **THE NUMBER OF YEARS FOR THIS AGE**, the Holy Spirit spoke right out, “*Running Oil!*” This is that presentation—and God says it is not heresy or

“wild fire” but is “Running Oil!” Oil typifies the Holy Spirit and God thus speaks from Heaven to say this presentation is *Floodtides of the Holy Spirit!* . . . 2. When we had finished the presentation, the Holy Spirit said right out, “*Day is ventilated!*” Comment: “Day” is *full light!* “Ventilated” is by means of the air, the wind, ever a type of the Holy Spirit. Thus God was saying, Here is full Light, permeated thru and thru (ventilated) by the Holy Spirit! . . . Meditate upon these things! —J.Q.A.

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My dear Mr. Bevin:-

As an American youth of today and a future veter and law maker of tomorrow, I have closely observed during the past year the Labour Party's domestic and foreign policy.

The only point where I am in complete discord with the Labour Government is its policy of Arab appeasement concerning Palestine. I as well as many of my fellow ceuntrymen were of the opinion that the policy of the Labour Government would be more liberal in its foreign celonial views. It is obviously not.

The same appeasement that was the criterion of the Tery government of Mr. Churchill, is now being fully endorsed by your government Mr. Bevin. With all this talk of "World Peace" and freedom for all men, is it not ironic that free men are still being herded into concentration camps which fly the Union Jack? Is this the peace that the Tommie died for on the beaches of Dieppe? Is this the consummation of Britains promise as set forth in the Balfour Declaration?

If the Labour Government does not alter its policy I can see the only possible selution:

1. The creation of a Palestine Republican government in exile.
2. The Palestine problem brought before the United Nations, as the mandate which the British government received, was one issued from the League of Nations which is now dissolved.
3. The termination of all lend lease and other loans.
4. A higher tariff on British goods.
5. A complete beycott of British geods by the public.
6. Complete approval of the Sternist movement.

I remain sincerely,
Matthew D. Feinberg
Lt. Matthew D. Feinberg

8/1/47 { 24 Hilliard Rd
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Palestine Problem

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giving the Jewish case, would it
not be possible to publicly state
the fundamentals which our Policy
involves.

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are also factors

Yours faithfully

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WHAT THE ZIONISTS WILL ASK FOR

The World Zionist Congress is meeting in Basle. It will decide whether Jewish representatives take part in the resumed London Conference on Palestine. If the Jews attend, what will be their demands? David Ben-Gurion, Chairman of the Jewish Agency executive and leader of the Palestine Labour Party, outlines the answer to Sydney Jacobson. It should be clear that this is the Zionists' statement of their case, not our own summing-up of the position.

Photographed by HAYWOOD MAGEE

BEN-GURION'S own story is a slice of the tragedy, the achievements and the muddle in Palestine. Over forty years ago, he was already a settler in Tiberias. The Turks exiled him because he was a Zionist. He went to Britain and America, and came back to Palestine as an Allied soldier. A couple of months ago, he was an exile again. Chairman of the Jewish Agency executive, president of the Palestine Labour Federation—the strongest Jewish political party in the country—he was living in a hotel in Paris, trailed by detectives and liable to arrest if he set foot in Palestine. A few weeks later, he was free again to go where he wanted, and had flown the Atlantic to meet the British Ambassador in Washington.

If the Jewish side sends a delegation to the resumed Palestine Conference in London, Ben-Gurion will almost certainly be one of its members. And if there is a Zionist with whom a British Labour Government should be able to talk freely and usefully, it is this 60-year-old Labour leader. When I saw him in Paris, I asked him what the Zionists' minimum demands were. This was his statement of the Zionist case:—

"We have three main aims which we cannot give up. They are: the right of Jews to enter Palestine without hindrance or artificial obstacles; the right to rebuild the desolate parts of Palestine; and the right to be independent, like any other people.

"If these three conditions are accepted, we believe that even now there can be agreement. Palestine, and the whole of the Middle East, needs economic development and better conditions for the masses of the population. If that is the aim of the British Government, we are willing to help and make our contribution to agreement.

"Never was there a British Government in such a satisfactory position to solve the whole problem of

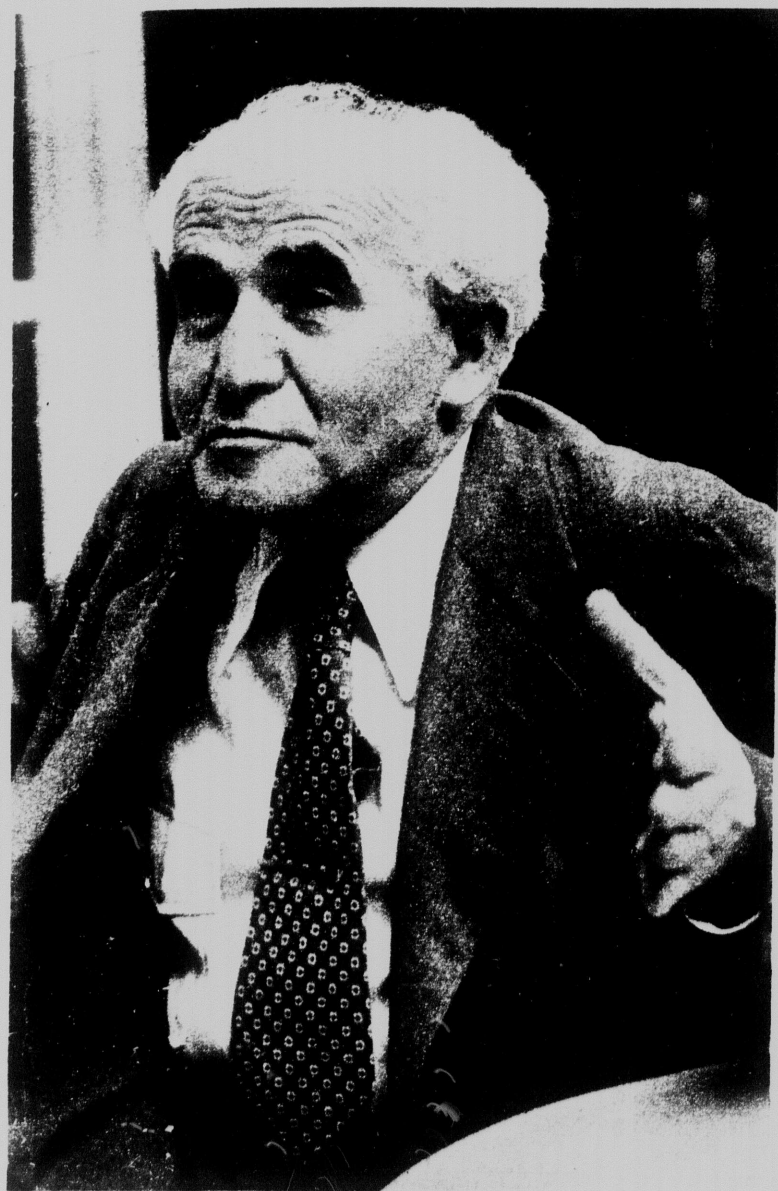
Palestine as the Labour Government when it took office last year. But it allowed its opportunity to pass, and only after nearly everything had been done to destroy all chance of success was a conference called. When the Labour Party came into power, it had a free hand on Palestine, since it had disavowed the White Paper of 1939 from the start, condemned it in Parliament as a breach of faith and denounced it in speeches by its leaders. If the Labour Government, because of Arab opposition, did not wish to return to the pre-war mandate policy, it could have initiated a new policy with the maximum possible agreement from both Jews and Arabs, since it had the confidence of both. We knew the Labour Party as loyal supporters of Zionist aspirations and of our own Labour movement in Palestine; the Arab masses looked to British Labour as the champion of a higher standard of life for the working-man all over the world. If the British Government had called a meeting of both sides and made it clear that the White Paper would go, but that it regarded Palestine as part of a big plan for the development of the whole Middle East, there would have been an excellent chance for agreement. After all, it is wrong to regard Arabs and Jews as being in total opposition to one another. We have joint aspirations, too. Zionism is not merely a political movement, but also a constructive undertaking for development, and for the creation of new social, economic and cultural values. And that is what the Arab countries need most.

"But unhappily no attempt was made to build up agreement on this basis. Instead, the Labour Government adopted a policy which contained all the faults and excluded all the benefits of the mandate and White Paper. This policy undermined the confidence of both Jews and Arabs, and has added serious new difficulties. For instance, the

White Paper was annulled by not stopping Jewish immigration after the 75,000 permitted by the White Paper had entered Palestine. On the other hand, the land legislation, which the Labour Party denounced as racial discrimination and over which it moved a vote of censure on the Chamberlain Government, was allowed to remain in force.

"Even more bitterness has been aroused by the Government's immigration policy. I don't want to appeal for mercy or play on anyone's tender feelings, and so I won't dwell on what happened to European Jewry during the war. But it's known that more than six million Jews were annihilated. We believed at least that we would be given a chance to rescue the survivors. What happened? In June, 1945, the Jewish Agency appealed for 100,000 Jewish refugees from Europe to be admitted into Palestine at once, both to save them and because of the country's urgent need of labour. Instead, the British Government arbitrarily decreed a quota of 1,500 a month. There was no legal authority for this decision. Were we correct in wondering if British rule in Palestine is based on the mandate or on physical force? We Jews feel that in rescuing our survivors from Europe we are doing what Britain did with her army at Dunkirk, and we can't understand why the rescue at Dunkirk was heroism and the relief of our remnants is called illegal and unscrupulous.

"A large proportion of the Jews who escaped the gas chambers are in the U.S. Zone in Germany. President Truman's representative, after an investigation on the spot, reported that at least 100,000 should go to Palestine at once. But when the Anglo-American commission, set up to advise on the problem, unanimously recommended the admission of 100,000 immigrants, the British Government still refused. And, to enforce its refusal, it has imposed a police rule in Palestine. Under cover of the fight



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"Britain has set up a naval, military and diplomatic blockade against the survivors from Nazism. There is police rule in Palestine to enforce its policy."



"It is still possible for Britain to bring about an alliance between an independent Judea and a united, free Arabia. There is room in Palestine for Arabs and Jews."

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DUST-UP IN A LOW-DOWN JOINT

There is a certain amount of fighting, honest fun, violent but not lethal, and in the name of the fight against crime.



FLARE-UP IN A HIGH-UP ROOM

There is a first-class fire, too, with flicking flames and smoke and coughing, and the jewels anybody's prize as yet.



RESCUE IN THE NICK OF TIME

And there is a wonderful rescue with towering ladders and fireman's lifts. Grown-ups as well as children are rooted to their seats.



Dusty Tests a Way Out, but Doesn't Care For It

Dusty tries a perilous way out of the burning building, but Gill (Billie Brooks) doesn't see that it's any better to break your neck than to be burned. Besides, they have, like us, a great faith that something will turn up.

job advising on historical films. She became first interested and then a continuity girl. From there she went on to editing, and eventually directed a comedy. In 1944 she took on her present job, but, though she is immensely interested in it, she considers herself, after 20 years in films, fundamentally a technician.

The Children's Film Department does not work entirely unadvised. Miss Field and her colleagues have the support of an Advisory Council composed of representatives of the Ministry of Education, the Home Office, the Scottish Office, the National Union of Teachers, the B.B.C., the Association of Education Committees and other bodies with a say in, or a view on, children's affairs. And since the department began in 1944 it has produced 39 stories and shorts of different types. They include topical newsreels about children in this and other countries, colour cartoons with slightly less horrific and sadistic

subjects and a rather slower tempo than those made for adults, travel pictures, and, more recently, serial stories. 'Dusty Bates' (produced by Geoffrey Barkas) is a highly exciting serial; little girls clench the arms of their seats and little boys hurl themselves about in paroxysms of suspense and anguish as the three children get more and more involved in crime and detection. But, according to the policy for children's films, good wins out in the end.

Clearly there is a vast, untouched field for makers of children's films to exercise themselves in. One feels impatient to see in production the great children's classics, or new film classics on a higher level than even the best adventure stories. But it is better not to plunge into such ventures until the experimental period is over, and, above all, until there are producers who can be guaranteed not to go wrong on such delicate affairs as 'Alice in Wonderland' or 'The Water Babies.'

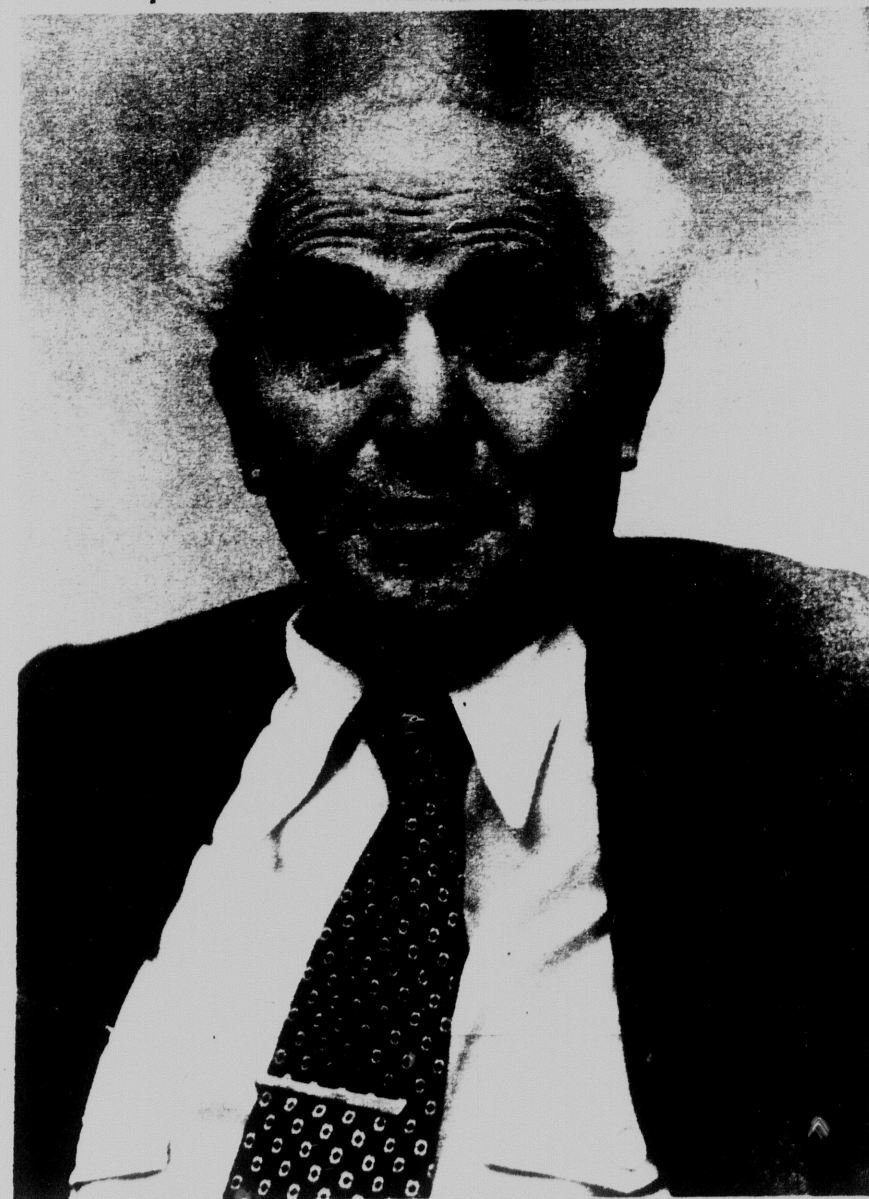
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"Give Us the Desert: We Will Cultivate It"

David Ben-Gurion, Palestine Labour leader, states the demands the Zionists will press at any conference they attend: control over immigration; the independence of the Jews in Palestine; the right to rebuild the desolate areas of the Holy Land.



"We are not afraid of the terrorists. Let us deal with them. If our fundamental points are accepted, an agreement is still possible, and the Jewish people will accept it."

against terrorism and searches for arms, thousands of workers and peasants from communal settlements—known as the fiercest opponents of terrorism—have been arrested and their crops and trees destroyed. There is a naval, military and diplomatic blockade against the survivors from Nazism, and concentration camps have been set up in Cyprus.

"After nearly a year of this fruitless policy, the British Government called Arabs and Jews together to bring about 'peace in Palestine.' It produced a plan based neither on the mandate nor the Anglo-U.S. Commission's report, nor on Jewish or Arab demands. The plan is now called one of 'provincial autonomy.' Both the Jews and Arabs in Palestine have said they will have nothing to do with it, and have refused to attend the conference. The Palestine Arabs rightly regard the plan as a continuation of foreign rule under the guise of autonomy, with the British High Commissioner retaining all power. The Jews regard it as the abolition of their rights under the mandate in more than four-fifths of Palestine, and they cannot agree to immigration into the so-called autonomous Jewish province remaining in the hands of the High Commissioner. There is no chance of the plan being accepted, or of any conference based on it succeeding.

"If the Palestine problem could be solved by force, it would have been solved already. Britain has enough soldiers and sailors to suppress Palestine, and if force is justice, then every citizen of Palestine knows by now that the British Government is right. But we also know that Jews have never given in to physical force when they believe that this force challenges moral and spiritual values. We believe that Jewish refugees who jump into the sea to swim to Palestine are stronger than destroyers.

"That is what we feel about the Palestine position today, and what we would have to say at any conference we attend. The way to agreement is still open, because fundamental truths, like the need for raising the standard of the masses in the Middle East still remain. Despite all that has happened, we still believe that we and Britain have basic ideas in common, ideas of fundamental human values. We have not forgotten our admiration of Britain as a champion of freedom. We can work with the Arabs, too, because there is a strong bond in plans for economic development. We must have, if there is to be agreement and peace in Palestine, the three rights I have already mentioned—(1) control over immigration; (2) the building-up of the desolate parts of Palestine. The Arabs themselves say two-thirds of Palestine is uncultivable. We will cultivate it. We don't want to take away the Arabs' land. Give us the desert. (3) Independence of the Jews in Palestine. As to the argument that Palestine cannot absorb many more immigrants, I heard it in 1920 from Sidney Webb. Since then, the Jewish population has increased by 400,000 and the Arab by even more.

"There is room in Palestine for both Arabs and Jews, on a basis of equality of rights and independence, tied to each other in alliance and co-operation for mutual betterment. It is still possible for Britain to bring about such an alliance between an independent Judea and a united, free Arabia. There is no need to worry, as some British papers have done, about the terrorists refusing to accept any agreement short of the complete Jewish demands. We are not afraid of the terrorists. If our fundamental points are accepted, an agreement is still possible, and the Jewish people will accept it."

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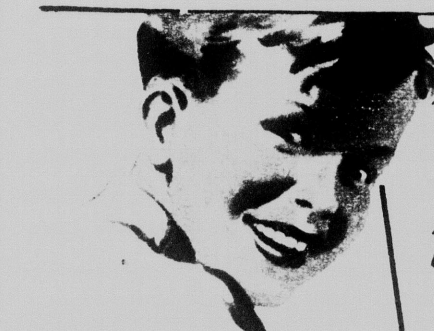
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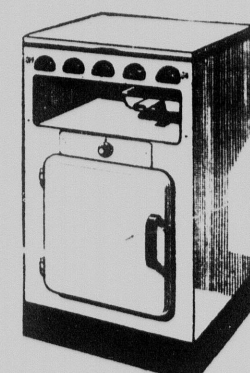
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We enclose a copy of a ~~letter~~
addressed to Mr. Levin letter

by Edwin Hamburger
of Detroit, dated Dec 30 1946.

Yours ever,

Chas. W. Fox.

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30th January 1947.

Dear Chancery,

We enclose a copy of a letter addressed to
Mr. Bevin by Edwin Hamburger of Detroit,
dated 30th December 1946.

Please send a suitable acknowledgement
if you think fit.

Yours ever,

EASTERN DEPARTMENT.

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Edwin Hamburger
 4231 Monterey
 Detroit 4, Mich.
 December 30, 1946

Dear Mr. Berwin:

I appeal to you as a
 peace loving person
 try to keep the Jewish
 people in Palestine to
 secure a commonwealth in
 the promised land. I
 know that in the past
 the British Soldiers were
 very good to them. But
 there have been violence in
 Palestine. numerous ones. I
 appreciate everything the

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British ⁸¹ Government is
doing in Palestine. But I
do not like the idea of the
British soldiers giving
guns to the Arabs.

We all want peace.
The Arabs and the Jews
like each other very
much. So if the British
Government will let the
Arab understand the Jew and
the Jew understand the Arab
and the British soldiers stop
giving the Arabs guns. and
try to let the Jewish people have

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a Commonwealth everything
will be all right and
we shall have peace
in the Holy Land.

Wishing all of you at
the United Nations Conference
all the luck in the world.
Sincerely yours Edwin Hambrger.

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Dear Chancery,

We enclose a copy of a ~~telegram~~
letter

by Emmanuel H. Weinkast
of New York dated Jan 10, 1948

Please send a suitable acknowledgment if you think fit.

Yours ever,

Eastern Department.

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Yours ever,

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701 West 175 Street
New York (33) N. Y.
U. S. A.

January 10, 1947

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My Dear Mr. Bevin,

I find it somewhat difficult to try & write a letter to someone who seems to be moved neither, by reason, emotion, logic, or promises that he and his party made to the world.

The reason that I write to you, is because if you possibly can have a sense of guilt you will be able to comprehend the point that I shall try to make. You and your party are trying to arrange in the very near future for a conference of Jews and Arabs in London, to try and settle the problem of Palestine.

In all actuality there should have been no need whatsoever for a conference but, you forced it, by ceasing practically all immigration of Jews into Palestine. Naturally those Jews that were in Palestine after the War wanted to get the remaining Jews of Europe into Palestine, but again you stopped it.

By refusing the Jews of Europe immediate entry into Palestine you did three things

1. You (personally) caused the death of many Jews who could no longer take the cold & hunger & deprivation of a Europe that was hostile to them & their needs

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2. you broke the word of your party - If you can remember back to the time when the Labour Party was seeking election, and listed as one of its planks - the establishment of a Jewish Homeland in Palestine.
3. You abrogated (This is nothing new for your gov't. I do not blame you too (much on this account - you had the principles of other men to follow) the terms of the Balfour Declaration - "His Majesty's Gov't view with favour the establishment ----- and will use its best endeavors ----- nothing shall be done that may prejudice the civil & religious rights -----"

Sir, need I continue, the evidence seems to indicate that once again the Jew has been deceived.

Six million Jews died - why? Some because they couldn't help it & many because Britain refused to allow them to enter Palestine before & during the war.

I ask you Sir, in the name of humanity & God, let those who suffered the most at the hands of Hitler, receive some justice, even though it is somewhat late. Let them have a Palestine that will be able to stand proudly with the other ^{nations} ~~nations~~ of the world.

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Mr Benin if you can see your way clear to keeping your word & the word of your party, I should like to point up the fact that the Irish won their independence not so much by their fighting, as by, the economic havoc caused by the boycotting of English goods by the Irish-American citizen & his friends.

Two things should be pointed up at this time.

1. American Zionists realize that the American dollar is important, or should I use the term vital, to British survival. Britain needs a favorable trade balance in the United States.
2. American Zionists could do a fine job in boycotting British goods.

Sir it hurts me to write such a letter. This letter is not addressed to the Britain of Dunkirk & the war, nor the Britain that is raising the standard of living of the Welsh Coal miner, nor is it addressed to the earnest Benin who will be firm but not dogmatic with the Russians. This letter is addressed to the Britain that refuses to carry out its promises.

Please Sir, give me our "Cretz Israel"

Respectfully,

Emanuel H. Weintraub

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Dear Chancery,

We enclose a copy of a ~~telegram~~ letter
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by a member
of Syracuse

Please send a suitable
acknowledgment if you think fit.

Yours ever,

Eastern Department.

Chancery W. Hod.

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Yours ever,

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Mr. Prime Minister,
If this picture signifies the way England
intends to keep the promises she made
while Hitler's forces were threatening her
shores "To liberate and give justice
to all"

Maybe if England would experien-
ce the horrors of prosecution which
the victims shown in this picture are
facing she would have learned to keep
her words

I am ashamed to look back to
the days we have fought as allies
if this is one of the results.

A. S. S. S.
207, Hawthorne St
Syracuse
N. Y.

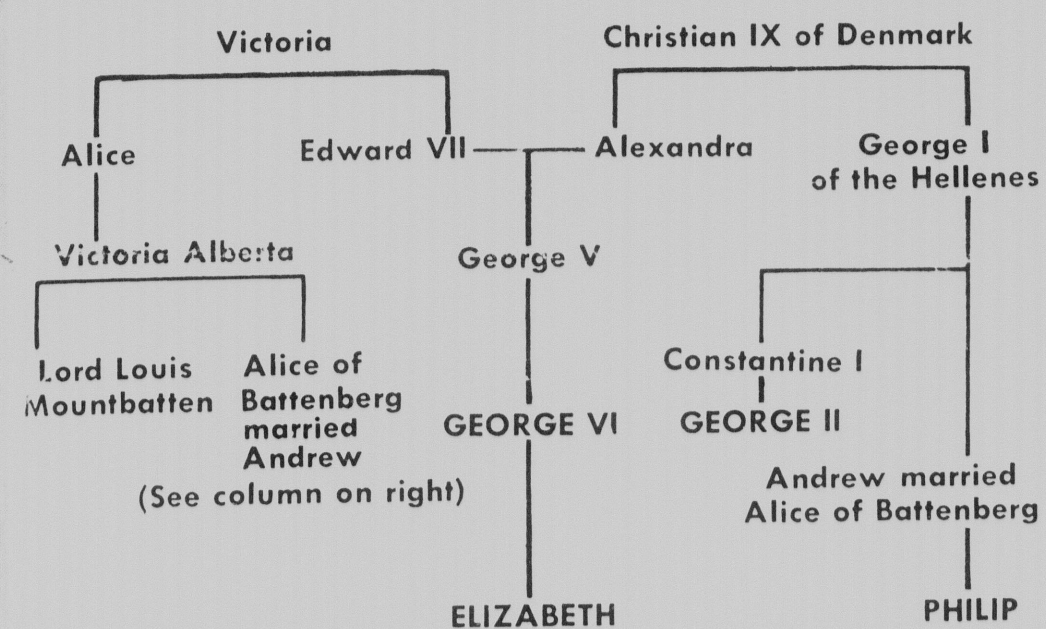
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DEPORTATION FROM PALESTINE

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Maple Avenue, 20 JAN 1947
Smithsburg, Md.,
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Dear Mr. Bevins;

When this little book came
to my attention, especially the last chapter,
I had profound convictions that I should do
something about it, and this is all I can do,
God knows.

Sincerely,

Theodore B. Jonesberg

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"Nebuchadnezzar the king, unto all people, nations, and languages, that dwell in all the earth; Peace be multiplied unto you.

How great are his signs! and how mighty are his wonders! his kingdom is an everlasting kingdom, and his dominion is from generation to generation."

Daniel 4:1-3

These are the words, not of a Hebrew saint, not of one of the usual writers of the Scriptures, but the fourth chapter of the prophecy of Daniel contains the testimony of a pagan, heathen Gentile king, Nebuchadnezzar, relating for us his conversion and how he came to the knowledge of the true God and Jehovah. As you know, the Bible is a Hebrew book, written in the main, both the Old and the New Testament by Hebrews whom God chose and inspired by His Spirit to set down the record of His will, His plan, His purpose, the program for the ages. The fourth of Daniel, however, is a very outstanding exception to this rule, for as we have stated, it contains the personal testimony of the conversion of this heathen king. If we are to understand the Bible correctly, we must remember that it deals very largely, with the history of one single nation, the nation of Israel, the nation which is at the center of God's program and plan for the dispensations and the rest of the world nations. It deals particularly with one particular land, the land of this nation, the land of Canaan, which God gave by covenant to Abraham, Isaac and Jacob, and through them to the twelve tribes of Israel. That promise holds good today just as sure,

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unbreakable, as in the day when God first gave it to His servant, Abraham, in the 13th, 14th, and 15th chapters of Genesis. If, therefore, we are to understand the Bible and all of its revelation, we must remember that the key to the Scriptures is the plan of God concerning the nation of Israel in setting up a kingdom here upon earth and during the interval of the nation's rejection and the setting aside of the kingdom, God is calling out for Himself a Bride, the Church of the Lord Jesus. After her rapture, God will again begin to deal with His ancient people, and fulfill all the covenant promises which He has made to the prophets of old as contained in the record of the Bible. It is, therefore, significant and worthy of special note that in this fourth of Daniel, we have the record not of a Hebrew writer but of a Gentile king concerning the dealing of God in revelation.

PURPOSE OF THE PROPHECY OF DANIEL

To the casual observer, the book of Daniel looks very much like twelve disconnected and unrelated chapters telling us the experiences of this man, Daniel, while he was a slave in the palace of the king, Nebuchadnezzar. However, when we remember that the Holy Spirit who wrote all the other sixty-five books of the Bible is the one Author, and that there is a unity and a progression and a oneness of purpose in every one of these books and all of them are related together, we begin to see in the prophecy of Daniel not merely a historical record of certain events which took place thousands of years ago, but a revelation of God, all these chapters connected one to the other and revealing to us what God's purpose and plan is for these days which lay ahead in Daniel's day. These twelve chapters in Daniel, therefore, are not isolated experiences, but they are related accounts of God's progressive revelation of the things which He wants His children to know. The main purpose of Daniel was to give us a vision of the times of the Gentiles up until the second coming again of the Lord Jesus Christ. So what we find in Daniel is a record of the course of the ages from Daniel's day through the present dispensation of the grace of God, through the tribulation period, and up to the millennial period which shall be ushered in by the second coming of the Lord Jesus Christ, the Messiah.

FOUR PICTURES OF BABYLON

In order to make it more easy for you to understand the purpose and the teaching of the prophecy of Daniel, let me just remind you that we have in this interesting book, four distinct and separate and yet related pictures of the course of this age. The first is found in the second chapter. You will recall it. The image of Nebuchadnezzar with its head of gold, with its chest and arms of silver, with its belly and thighs of brass, with its legs of iron and with its feet and toes of iron and of clay. We have already pointed out that this was a prophetic picture of the course of history from Babylon even unto the last form of Gentile world power and dominion which will be destroyed when the Lord Jesus Christ comes again. We have pointed out that the head of gold represents Babylon; the chest represented the Kingdom of Persia; and then we have the belly and the thighs of brass which was the conquering hosts of Greece; and then finally the Roman Empire which in turn conquered the Kingdom of Greece; then was divided into two parts represented by the two legs; and then for a time was discontinued, and we believe that we are standing on the very threshold of that time when the ten toes will make their appearance in the two-headed federation of nations of the end time just before the coming of the Lord. This was the great image which king Nebuchadnezzar saw, a picture of the course of Gentile dominion during the time of the rejection of the King. The most significant part of this vision was that after having viewed the great image of gold and silver and brass and iron and clay, he saw a great stone coming down from heaven which smote the image in its feet and ground it to a powder and then the stone itself became a great rock which eventually filled the entire earth. Now the picture was simply this—that during the time of our Lord's rejection the Gentile world powers will seek to bring about a millennium, a period of peace and world federation and world government which shall have no need for God or for God's Christ, but at the end of man's efforts, after he has failed, the Lord Jesus Christ, the Rock of Ages, shall return and will smite these governments and grind them to powder, and He Himself will become the King of kings and the Lord of lords and His kingdom shall be over all until it fulfills the entire earth.

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This is the testimony of prophecy that at the end of man's reign, after man has exhausted every means at his disposal to bring about a world peace and security, the Lord Jesus Christ will come and He alone will bring peace and happiness and prosperity to this poor old dying world which is today, in the very last throes of its desperate attempt to save itself without the Lord Jesus Christ. That is the first picture which we have of the course of the age. Then as we told you, the second one of these pictures is the tree vision of Nebuchadnezzar which we have in this fourth chapter. In this tree vision we saw Nebuchadnezzar having another dream. He saw a great tree with branches giving shelter to the beasts of the field and was the place where birds could find nesting places, and then a voice from Heaven commanded to hew down the tree, and it fell, and after seven years the stump again budded forth and became another tree. Just another picture of the same thing that we have in the second chapter of how the Gentile world power will increase and grow until it is cut down. We have an additional thing, here, however, in the fourth chapter, for we find that the tree that was cut down will ultimately be restored, teaching us that in the millennial age even the Gentile nations will own and acknowledge the Lord Jesus Christ and shall be saved. We have a third picture of the course of this age, found in the next chapter which we take up in due time, Belshazzar's impious feast, when he took the vessels of the Lord from the temple of Jehovah and made merry with his king's utensils and with his hosts, only to be stopped in the middle of a feast by a hand that came from Heaven writing his doom upon the walls of the dining hall. Then we have one other picture and that is found in Daniel 7, where Daniel sees the four beasts, the lion, the leopard, the bear, and then the indescribable monstrosity which runs parallel to the image that we found in chapter two.

But now we want you to consider the vision of the tree in the fourth chapter of Daniel. It is one of the longest chapters in Daniel, and we shall not take the space to read it in its entirety but shall relate to you the more important features. Nebuchadnezzar, the one who had seen the vision of the great image in the second chapter, is still king in Babylon and Daniel is still

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serving him there in the capacity of advisor. Then one night the king had another dream, a vision. He saw a great tree growing, which had attained gigantic dimensions that it overshadowed the entire earth. Under its branches the beasts of the field found shelter. In its branches the birds of the Heaven found a place for their nesting and for their protection. And then a very strange thing happened. Let me quote the verses of the record as we have it in the fourth chapter of Daniel. Here it is:

"I saw in the visions of my head upon my bed, and behold, a watcher and an holy one came down from heaven;

He cried aloud, and said thus, Hew down the tree, and cut off his branches, shake off his leaves, and scatter his fruit: let the beasts get away from under it, and the fowls from his branches:

Nevertheless leave the stump of his roots in the earth, even with a band of iron and brass, in the tender grass of the field; and let it be wet with the dew of heaven, and let his portion be with the beasts in the grass of the earth."

This is the account of the king himself in regard to the dream which he had dreamed. And then Daniel is called in after all the wise men and the soothsayers, the magicians and the astrologers of Babylon had failed to give any kind of an explanation and Daniel comes in with his interpretation. When the Lord shows Daniel the meaning of this particular dream, he is astounded and amazed and for a time is absolutely silent, seeking wisdom from on high how he may break the news of the judgment contained in this dream upon the king, Nebuchadnezzar. After his period of silence we have the record of Daniel's interpretation as follows:

"It is thou, O king, that art grown and become strong: for thy greatness is grown, and reacheth unto heaven, and thy dominion to the end of the earth.

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This is the interpretation, O king, and this is the decree of the most High, which is come upon my lord the king:

That they shall drive thee from men, and thy dwelling shall be with the beasts of the field, and they shall make thee to eat grass as oxen, and they shall wet thee with the dew of heaven, and seven times shall pass over thee, till thou know that the most High ruleth in the kingdom of men, and giveth it to whomsoever he will."

Now in studying this interpretation of the king's dream, we must bear in mind that Daniel is, indeed, a prophecy, and while all of these accounts contain many, many valuable moral and ethical lessons which can be very profitable to us and which we should not overlook, nevertheless, the purpose of Daniel is to prophecy concerning the things which are to come. This, we remind you, was definitely stated by the Lord Jesus Christ in the gospel according to Matthew where He specifically reminds us that Daniel was a prophet. In the light of the prophetic nature of Daniel, Nebuchadnezzar, the king of Babylon, is representative of world government, not only in his particular time and age in which he lived, but is the representative of man's effort at governing himself in every age of man's dominion until the kingdom of the Lord Jesus Christ shall be set up. Just as Nebuchadnezzar succeeded in conquering the entire world and uniting them all under one great Babylonian system of government, so too the Bible tells us that toward the end of this age there will emerge a world government, a world federation of nations under one federal headship which shall guarantee unto man, a man-made prosperity, when war shall cease, there will be no poverty, no strife, no disagreement, but the Utopia of man's dreams, the millennium of man's making shall find its fulfillment. When that time comes, then like Nebuchadnezzar, the pride of man will reach its very apex. Man will imagine that he himself has brought about all of this wonderful achievement and accomplishment through education, science, human wisdom, without acknowledging the Lord Jesus Christ. The Bible is filled with descriptions of this end time world

federation when man shall have reached the very pinnacle of human success only to find that it is a paper house of dreams, that it cannot stand, that until Christ reigns, there can be no lasting peace, there can be no success, by the efforts of man alone. Man, like Nebuchadnezzar, will be walking upon the house-top of his own accomplishments and viewing all that he has made, saying, "Is not this the great Babylon that I have built?" But just the very moment when man dreams that he has accomplished his desired purpose will be the signal for the coming again of the rightful owner and the rightful Governor, even the Lord Jesus Christ. He will shout from the air and take His church into Heaven with Himself, and then will follow a period of seven years of tribulation which we may well call the madness, the folly, the insane madness of the nations of the earth. Nebuchadnezzar became mad for seven long years during which he was with the beasts of the field, living like an animal and the kingdom of Babylon was without his leadership. This is typical, and prophetic of that seven-year period of time between the rapture of the church and His second coming again, during which God is going to remove all restraints, permit the anti-christ to have free reign, and man will succeed in almost annihilating himself were it not for the sudden intervention of the Lord Himself. And so the voice that came from Heaven and commanded that the tree representing Nebuchadnezzar, the king, be hewn down and cut to the ground, is a picture of the coming of the Lord who will cause the nations to become stark mad in their insane delusion of self-achievement and self-grandeur and then will follow the seven years of greatest confusion which the world has ever known.

THE END IS NEAR

We believe that the time of the cutting down of this great tree of world power is very, very near at hand. We are today experiencing as never before an effort on the part of man's sincere efforts, well-meaning efforts, to bring about some kind of a negotiation, some kind of an understanding, some kind of a union and federation of the nations of the world that will forever guarantee the security of the inhabitants of this earth, and will increase the prosperity and bring to an end the wars that have devastated this world since time began. And

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we say this, not critically, but we say it sadly, that in all of these deliberations we hear little or nothing of God. There is no acknowledgment of the God of Heaven, whatsoever, and so we believe that in the end time, after man has reached the very pinnacle of his own effort and achievement, the Lord Jesus Christ is going to come back again, to destroy the wicked nations of the world, and set up His glorious and wonderful millennial kingdom of peace under the leadership of the only King of Heaven and of earth, even the King of Glory, the Lord Jesus Christ. You have probably noticed in the reading of the passages from Daniel 4, that the purpose of all this was that Nebuchadnezzar might learn to know that God is still the King of Heaven, that God is still on the Throne. And the purpose of God judging the nations, judging the world, which we believe to be in the very near future, will be that man may learn to know that without God everything must fail, and that God is still the King of Heaven and of earth. In our next message we shall talk about the conversion of the Gentiles at the coming of the Lord Jesus Christ as indicated by the conversion of Nebuchadnezzar the king, after his seven years of madness.

CHAPTER TWO

"Now I Nebuchadnezzar praise and extol and honour the King of heaven, all whose works are truth, and his ways judgment: and those that walk in pride he is able to abase." Daniel 4:37

These are the concluding words of the testimony of the king of Babylon, Nebuchadnezzar, after his conversion. You will recall he had seen a great tree growing until its shadow covered the entire earth, giving shelter to the beasts of the field, and the birds of the heaven. Then he had seen a watcher, a holy one coming down from heaven, and giving the order and the instruction to cut down the tree, with this provision—that the stump and roots be allowed to remain in the ground. The king was greatly disturbed and after all his magicians and astrologers and soothsayers were unable to give

him the interpretation, Daniel was called in and told the king that this tree represented the king himself, and as the king represented the kingdom, it also represented the kingdom of Babylon; and that because of his pride God would take him out of his seat of dominion, would cause him to be mad, insane, for a period of seven years during which he would make his habitation with the beasts of the field.

GOD'S WORD NEVER FAILS

After a lapse of about twelve months all these words of Daniel came to pass, and Nebuchadnezzar was suddenly stricken with great madness and driven by his own subjects from his kingdom and made his habitation for seven long years among the beasts of the field; only to be restored when he lifted up his eyes unto the God of heaven.

Now this fourth chapter of Daniel contains the record, the words of the king, Nebuchadnezzar himself, as to the details of his conversion. We are happy to have this record of the conversion of this wicked king, not only because of its moral and ethical instruction but also because of its prophetic significance. We have often pointed out that Babylon represents the kingdoms of this world, the kingdoms of men without the Lord Jesus Christ, the King of Kings. As such, Nebuchadnezzar represented the course of the history of the nations until at the end-time after man's day has run its course, they shall be lifted up with pride at their own achievements, imagining, foolishly imagining, that they have finally brought about the Utopic condition of world security and world peace, world prosperity, and then God is going to come and strike down the world powers and set up His own King, the Lord Jesus Christ, upon the throne and He shall reign forever and forever.

In our previous message which you will remember, we tried to trace the history of man's rule upon the earth up until the coming of the Lord Jesus Christ. The thing to remember is that Nebuchadnezzar was stricken with this madness for a period of exactly SEVEN YEARS which we believe to be prophetic of the seven years of tribulation, between the rapture of the church and the second coming of the Lord Jesus. This seven

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year period is called "Tribulation," "The Day of Jacob's Trouble," "The Day of God's Indignation." It will be characterized by the madness of the nations who will seek to set up a kingdom in opposition to everything that is Godly, and Christian, under the leadership of the man of sin, the personal Antichrist, who will seek to de-throne the Lord Jesus Christ and set up his reign of terror in opposition to the reign of peace promised to all the prophets and to those who believe His Word. One of these days the Lord Jesus Christ will return to this earth again, but first He will come and shout from the air and take out the church, his Body, together with all the Old Testament saints and when they have been safely removed from the earth, He will usher in a period of tribulation, persecution, suffering and death, and pestilence and famine and earthquakes and all sorts of judgment which shall threaten to annihilate man from the face of the earth except for the fact that God will shorten these days for the sake of His elect people, Israel. Then at the end of seven years of this terrible tribulation the Lord will come. This is represented by the watcher, the Holy One, who comes down from heaven in Nebuchadnezzar's dream and causes the axe to be laid to the tree. It is the same as the stone cut without hands out of the mountain in Daniel, chapter two, which smites the image of Nebuchadnezzar, the same thing as the tree vision in chapter four. The stone itself becomes so large that it fills the entire earth. All of these accounts tell us that man's day will come to an end, that man's effort to set up an ideal world peace and world government without acknowledging the Lord Jesus Christ must come to a bitter and dismal end. Then the Lord Jesus coming with His church will set up the long-promised kingdom of the Messiah, promised by the prophets and the seers of old to His faithful people.

WORLD CONVERSION AT THE COMING OF CHRIST

There is one little detail given in this fourth chapter of Daniel which is very often overlooked. You will recall that when this Holy One, this watcher from heaven, commanded that the tree was to be cut down that a very definite instruction was given, that the stump of the tree and its roots should be left in the ground and at

the end of the seven years this stump was to sprout again, representing of course first of all the fact that Nebuchadnezzar would be restored when he acknowledged the King of Heaven, and was converted. All this came to pass historically. But prophetically this stump means that after the seven years of the madness of the nations in the tribulation, the Gentile nations too will be converted and while Israel will be restored in the land, these Gentile nations will occupy the countries of the world, acknowledge the Lord Jesus Christ as Saviour, and every knee shall bow to Him and every tongue confess that Jesus Christ is Lord to the glory of God the Father.

The fact that Nebuchadnezzar was not converted until AFTER the seven years of madness and the stump of the tree did not sprout again until AFTER it had been cut down for a period of time is of such great importance that we must insist upon your careful study of this important truth because upon it depends the proper attitude toward the program of God in this dispensation. There are those who tell us that during this present dispensation, before the setting up of the kingdom, before the coming of the Lord Jesus Christ, the world is going to be converted by the influence of the social gospel, by the preaching of the church, by education, reformation, legislation and scientific development man will finally learn his lesson, will accept the gospel, all will be converted and the world will be ushered into an age of peace and joy and happiness and prosperity and freedom from war and want and from poverty, and THEN at the end of that period of time the Lord will come again to judge the quick and the dead and to usher in eternity. Then there is another school which teaches quite the opposite; that this world will not become better and better but rather according to the testimony of the Word of God, worse and worse until it seems that it will ultimately destroy itself, but before this happens the Lord Jesus will return, take out His church, then allow the seven years of tribulation, represented by the seven years of madness of Nebuchadnezzar, at the end of which He will return WITH His church, destroy His enemy, the nations shall be converted, Israel shall be restored to the land, and then the Millennial rest and peace of one thousand years will be ushered in.

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OF VITAL IMPORTANCE

These are, generally speaking, the two schools of thought in regard to the return of the Lord Jesus Christ. These are called the Post-millennial and the Pre-millennial Schools, there is a Third of more recent origin called the A-millennial to which we will give no time or attention at all because it is so far-fetched and so utterly impractical that we have no time even to discuss it with you. However, because of the wide-spread acceptance of the Post-millennial we must give just a little time to that particular subject because it is held by such a large segment of Christendom today.

TWO SCHOOLS OF THOUGHT

Against the post-millennial theory of the return of the Lord Jesus Christ, there are two very serious objections. Before we take up these two objections, let me just give you the meaning in just a few words again of the word, "Post-millennial." The word, post-millennial, comes from three Latin words, "post" and "mille" and "annum." Post means after; mille means one thousand; and annum means years. So we have the meaning of it, "After the thousand years." The post-millennialists then teach that the Lord Jesus will not return until after the one thousand years of millennial peace and prosperity. As we said a moment ago, there are two serious objections to this particular view. The first is that it is not Scriptural. There is not one shred of evidence in the entire Bible to support the theory that the world will become better and better, morally, ethically, or in any other way until man has reached perfection and all men shall acknowledge the Lord Jesus Christ, and then after that the Lord is to come. To the contrary, as we shall show when we talk about the pre-millennial view, Scripture abounds with statements showing us that this age will degenerate consistently until at last it seems all hope for mankind is gone and then the Lord Himself is going to step in and take a hand in the affairs of men. The second objection which we raise to the post-millennial view is that it is not borne out by the facts of history. After six thousand years of man's rule and all his attempts to produce a government that shall be the ideal universal government for all men, he finds him-

self today in greater straits than ever before. He has tried everything conceivable; the highest and the best educated men of all ages have sought an answer to the problem of war and of national disagreement only to find themselves today at greater odds and disagreements than at any other time of human history. Until the human heart is changed, until human nature is different, until men, accept the Lord Jesus Christ as their personal Saviour and the only hope for this world, there can be no progress. After six thousand years of human effort we have experienced within a generation two of the greatest, the costliest of all the wars of history. Man has succeeded in developing instruments of destruction and death such as were not dreamed of only a generation ago. Today, in this atomic age, we are told that we are just beginning in the development of modern warfare. Not only is it true in the matter of international relationship, but in the moral realm, in the domestic realm, in the religious realm, the same thing is true. There are more crimes being committed, there is more wickedness, drunkenness and immorality, the divorce rate is higher than ever in the history of the world, while the birthrate is decreasing. Among the more civilized there is more violence and corruption on every hand than the world has ever seen before. Every fact of history refutes the idea that the world will become better morally, economically, socially, in its relationship between men and nations and religion.

THE PRE-MILLENNIAL TEACHING

Now place against this Post-millennial theory the teaching of the Word of God and we will find that it teaches not a post-millennial but a pre-millennial return of the Lord Jesus Christ. The word, pre-millennial, simply means in its simplest form, before the thousand years, and it teaches that this world will according to the foreknowledge and program of God continue in its wickedness, in its own self-destruction, until finally the Lord will come in and rescue the church and the world and His people from complete annihilation and then through His coming and His personal presence He will set up the kingdom long promised to the seers of old. According to this teaching we believe that things will continue to become worse and worse. With all of the talk

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of progress and development, all of the dreams of mankind in regard to the freedom and the securities of the nations and the peoples, all these things will ultimately fail until the Lord Jesus Christ is acknowledged. Remember that we are talking about the fourth chapter of Daniel where Nebuchadnezzar was kept in his madness until he acknowledge the God of heaven and recognized Him as the King over all and then his kingdom was restored. And so we believe that it is according to the testimony of Scripture that this age will continue its downward course while the Lord calls out a people for His Name, to constitute the bride which shall be taken out before the tribulation period. In answer to the question of the disciples in the 24th chapter of the gospel through Matthew, Jesus gives a long list of signs which shall be indicative of the end of this age and they certainly are not signs of improvement and development but they are signs of degeneration. He mentions among others the false christs that shall come and the wars and the rumors of wars and the famines and pestilences and earthquakes in divers places, and then the anti-racial attitude of many nations and the infidelity of friends and false prophets. Certainly this is not a picture of the world becoming better and better toward the end but rather becoming worse and worse. In 1st Timothy, chapter four, we read:

"Now the Spirit speaketh expressly, that in the latter times some shall depart from the faith, giving heed to seducing spirits, and doctrines of devils;

Speaking lies in hypocrisy; having their conscience seared with a hot iron:" I Tim. 4:12

This certainly is not a picture of a world that is becoming better and better, but rather one that is constantly degenerating. In 2nd Timothy, chapter three, we read:

"This know also, that in the last days perilous times shall come.

For men shall be lovers of their own selves, covetous, boasters, proud, blasphemers, disobedient to parents, unthankful, unholy,

Without natural affection, trucebreakers, false accusers, incontinent, fierce, despisers of those that are good,

Traitors, heady, highminded, lovers of pleasures more than lovers of God;

Having a form of godliness, but denying the power thereof." II Tim. 3:1-5

We might go on and on in quoting passage after passage to indicate that God has truly revealed through His prophets that this world will become worse and worse under man's rule and will not become better and better, until at last the Lord Jesus Christ Himself shall step in and take the reins of government.

GOD'S PROGRAM FOR THIS AGE

What the Lord, therefore, is doing during this dispensation is not the wholesale conversion of the world. Instead, He is through the preaching of the gospel gathering out a select number called the BODY of the Lord Jesus Christ,—those who believe on the Lord Jesus Christ and are saved and numbered among the members of the body of the Lord Jesus. When the Lord Jesus comes to take this body out, the dead in Christ shall rise first, the living believers shall be caught up with them into the clouds to meet the Lord in the air. Then after the seven years of tribulation we will have the setting up of the millennial kingdom and then the conversion of the world, and all the Gentiles shall learn to know the Lord Jesus Christ when the knowledge of the Lord shall cover the earth as the waters cover the sea. Probably no clearer passage of Scriptures on this subject can be found than the 15th chapter of the book of Acts, where the apostles had come together in order to talk about the message of grace going to the Gentile peoples of that age. Here it is given very, very clearly.

"Simeon hath declared how God at the first did visit the Gentiles, to take out of them a people for his name.

And to this agree the words of the prophets; as it is written,

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After this I will return, and will build again the tabernacles of David, which is fallen down; and I will build again the ruins thereof, and I will set it up:

That the residue of men might seek after the Lord, and all the Gentiles, upon whom my name is called, saith the Lord, who doeth all these things."

Acts 15:14-17

Now in this brief passage you will find God's program, first during this dispensation, He visits the Gentiles. Now notice carefully, to take OUT of them a people for His Name. Not the conversion of the world, but to take OUT FROM AMONG THE NATIONS, here one and there one, a few here and a few there, of people for His Name. And then, notice carefully verse 16

"After this, (after He has visited the Gentiles to take out of them a people for His Name, then) I will return, and build again the tabernacle of David."

After that we have the setting up of the kingdom and the conversion of the world.

This then is the simple program of God during this dispensation the calling out of the church, His Bride, and at the end of this dispensation the return of the Lord and the setting up of the Kingdom of David long promised and then the residue of men seeking after the Lord and all the Gentiles upon whom my name is called. That is God's program. God help us to be among those who shall be saved.

CHAPTER THREE

THE RISE AND FALL OF BABYLON

"Belshazzar the king made a great feast to a thousand of his lords, and drank wine before the thousand.

Belshazzar, while he tasted the wine, commanded to bring the golden and silver vessels which his father Nebuchadnezzar had taken out of the temple which was in Jerusalem; that the king, and his princes, his wives, and his concubines, might drink therein.

In the same hour came forth fingers of a man's hand, and wrote over against the candlestick upon the plaister of the wall of the king's palace: and the king saw the part of the hand that wrote.

The king cried aloud to bring in the astrologers, the Chaldeans, and the soothsayers. And the king spake, and said to the wise men of Babylon, whosoever shall read this writing, and shew me the interpretation thereof, shall be clothed with scarlet, and have a chain of gold about his neck, and shall be the third ruler in the kingdom.

Then came in all the king's wise men: but they could not read the writing, nor make known to the king the interpretation thereof.

Then was Daniel brought in before the king. And the king spake and said unto Daniel, Art thou that Daniel, which art of the children of the captivity of Judah, whom the king my father brought out of Jewry?

And I have heard of thee, that thou canst make interpretations, and dissolve doubts: now if thou canst read the writing, and make known to me the interpretation thereof, thou shalt be clothed with scarlet, and have a chain of gold about thy neck, and shalt be the third ruler in the kingdom.

Then Daniel answered and said before the king, Let thy gifts be to thyself, and give thy rewards to another; yet I will read the writing unto the king, and make known to him the interpretation."

Daniel 5:1, 2, 5, 7, 8, 13, 16, 17

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This fifth chapter of Daniel records the downfall of the great kingdom of Nebuchadnezzar, the kingdom of Babylon. This record as we have it in Daniel chapter 5 has been abundantly confirmed by secular history as well. We have already seen that in Daniel we have four pictures of the course of Gentile world dominion. One we saw in the second chapter in the great image of the dream of Nebuchadnezzar; the second one that we saw was the dream of Nebuchadnezzar concerning the great tree that covered the earth but was cut down; then we have in this chapter Belshazzar's impious feast and the sudden judgment of God upon the nation of Babylon as the Medes and the Persians took over. We have one more that we shall take up later on—the vision of the four beasts in Daniel chapter 7, 8, and 9. Now all the these four pictures give us a wonderful, harmonious, prophetic vision of the course of time from the time of Judah's captivity until the time of Israel's restoration in the Millennial Kingdom, from the time of Nebuchadnezzar and the height of Babylonian power until the downfall of the nation's godless attempt to set up an ideal world kingdom without the Lord Jesus Christ, the King of Kings. All of the world's history was foreknown by the Almighty and follows a definite pattern which God Himself foreknew and has laid down in utmost detail in the books of the Bible, not only in Daniel, but in all prophetic revelation.

We have continually been reminding you of the fact that Babylon represents more than a physical kingdom. Babylonianism is a system, an anti-Christian, anti-God system of man's endeavor to dethrone Almighty God and to bring about upon this world, an ideal Utopic kingdom and federation which shall not need the direction and the revelation of God in any sense whatsoever, and while Babylonianism assumes various forms, under Nimrod way back in the 11th chapter of Genesis, and then under the Egyptian form, the Babylonian, the Persian, the Grecian, the Roman form; the spirit of Babylonianism is always the same and never changes, and at the end time, just before the return of the Lord Jesus Christ, a man will arise of whom Nimrod and Nebuchadnezzar and Alexander the Great and many others, were only types. This man will be a super-man, half demon and half human, the anti-christ, the man of sin, who will succeed for a very

brief time in bringing about that which Nimrod and all of his successors failed to bring about—a world union, a world commonwealth, that shall promise all the ideals that man has been striving for throughout the millenniums of his past history, but just when this man of sin seems to have reached the very acme and the pinnacle of his success, the Lord Jesus Christ will come in judgment and destroy man's anti-Christian system and set up upon this earth, His own kingdom of prosperity and peace and righteousness, and reign for ever and forever. Now, we have a number of pictures throughout the Scriptures which give this wonderful revelation. We have already reminded you that the tree vision of Nebuchadnezzar and the image of Nebuchadnezzar are all pictures, but probably the most graphic and the most descriptive of them all is this story of Belshazzar and his great drunken feast in the palace of Babylon, and the sudden judgment of God as the Medes and the Persians captured the city on the very night of this great debauch. This chapter should be read in connection with chapter 16 and 17 and 18, of the book of the Revelation where we have the description of the final fall and doom of Babylonianism and the restored Babylonian system during the tribulation period of which this chapter in Daniel is a type and a shadow, and a prophecy.

BABYLONIANISM FOLLOWS SAME PATTERN

In studying the various types of Babylonianism through the Scripture, beginning with Nimrod's kingdom in the 10th and 11th chapters of Genesis, we find that it always follows the same identical pattern. We may sum up the pattern of anti-Christian Babylonianism under three words. First, FEDERATION; second, DESECRATION; and finally, FRUSTRATION. The first attempt is to set up a world-wide kingdom under one particular head or nation who will dominate all the governments of the world. When this has been partly achieved, we find that it results in desecration, a denial of God, a denial of His Word, a denial of all things that are sacred; and then as the judgment of God falls upon them, we have the third stage, the frustration of all man's plans and the fulfillment of the plan of Almighty God. This is most graphically illustrated in this fifth chapter of Daniel in the history of Belshazzar. Under his father, Nebuchadnezzar,

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and also under him, Babylon had attained the very pinnacle of its power; it had conquered all the known kings of the world, and had succeeded in bringing them under the domination and under the government of the Babylonian empire. But as a result of this, being lifted up with pride, they began to desecrate the holy things of the Lord. It is well in studying the fifth chapter of Daniel to remember one very outstanding truth, and that is that the judgment of God fell upon Belshazzar and upon the kingdom of Babylon as a direct result of one act on the part of the wicked king, and that one act was that he reached out and touched the holy things of God. We are told repeatedly in the second verse and the third verse, and again in the 23rd verse that the occasion for the judgment of God was that Belshazzar commanded to bring—now listen—the golden and silver vessels which his father, Nebuchadnezzar, had taken out of the temple which was in Jerusalem, that the king and his princes and his wives, and so forth, might drink therein. The crowning desecration that brought forth the displeasure of God and the judgment that fell upon Babylon was because he stretched forth his hand and touched the things which God has declared holy, which God has consecrated. He desecrated these things, and the cup of iniquity was full, and as a result judgment fell upon the wicked king and his kingdom. While this fifth chapter of Daniel with its record of Belshazzar's wicked feast and the writing on the wall, and the interpretation of Daniel contain many, many moral and valuable instructions for our everyday living, we must remember that Daniel is primarily a prophetic book, and I want to repeat because of its tremendous importance, that we must remember that the occasion for the judgment of God upon this Babylonian king was that he stretched forth his hand and touched the holy things of the Lord, the vessels of gold and of silver out of the temple in Jerusalem, in Judea, in the land of Palestine, the Holy Land. These things which had been given by God, consecrated by God for a very definite purpose, this wicked Gentile king, desecrated, and, as a result, God comes with His dire judgment upon him.

AN INTERESTING STORY

The fifth chapter of Daniel makes very interesting

reading. It has been a favorite in all ages past. Belshazzar, the king, made a tremendous feast. It was a drunken debauch, a drunken party, to which he had invited a thousand of the nobles, the big wigs of the kingdom of Babylon. Significantly, Daniel is not present. Undoubtedly he had been invited, for we are told that his father, (that is, Belshazzar's father,) Nebuchadnezzar, had elevated Daniel to the second place in the kingdom. He was among the nobility and ruled over a greater part of the kingdom of Babylon. Undoubtedly, therefore, he had been invited, but Daniel, maintaining his position of absolute separation from the world while he was in the world, refused to be present at the impious feast of Belshazzar. During the feast the fingers of a man's hand appear out of apparently nowhere, and begin writing upon the wall of the great banquet hall in which the feast was being carried on. Now the writing was in an unknown language, and the king was unable to interpret the writing upon the wall. As a result he calls in all the magicians and the soothsayers and the astrologers which had failed before, and failed his father Nebuchadnezzar, had failed him, and they were unable to give him any light whatsoever. Then the widowed queen, the wife of Belshazzar's father, Nebuchadnezzar, comes into the banquet hall. I am glad to note here too, that evidently she was not present at this party, at this debauching, and this desecration of the holy things of God. But, when she hears about the incident, she comes in, tells the king about Daniel and the service he had rendered to her husband, Belshazzar's father, in days gone by, with the assurance that he would be able to give the king the interpretation. So Daniel is brought in and is given a great offer of riches and wealth and position which Daniel turns down, and says, let these gifts be to someone else, but I will tell the king the interpretation of this writing upon the wall. Then Daniel begins the interpretation, and putting it as simply as we possibly can, the words "Mene, Mene, Tekel, Upharsin," as found in the 25th verse of Daniel 5, meant merely this, MENE, God hath numbered thy kingdom and finished it, because you have reached out your hand and touched things that God has consecrated, declared holy, the end of your kingdom has come. The meaning of the word TEKEL, thou are weighed in the balances and art

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found wanting. In addition to the destruction of the kingdom, there is a personal judgment which is falling upon the king himself. While you notice the word Mene has to do with kingdom, the word Tekel has to do with the king personally. THOU art weighed and art found wanting. The word PERES, another form of the word UPHARSIN, found in the 25th verse, Thy kingdom is divided and given to the Medes and the Persians. Then we have the brief record at the close of the chapter that that very same night the king was slain and the kingdom taken away from him. Now history tells us, secular history, that Babylon was built across the river Euphrates, had a great wall which made it almost impossible for a conqueror to make any impression upon it, a great moat ran around the wall, and inside they felt absolutely secure. The river Euphrates with its moat around the city made it seem that no enemy could possibly take the kingdom. But the Medes and the Persians under their leader, had diverted the course of the river Euphrates into the moat, possibly, around the city, causing the river bed itself that flowed through Babylon, to become absolutely dry, and having dried up the river, the army was able to march underneath the wall and take them by surprise while the king and all his leaders and captains were insensible in their drunken debauch.

BABYLONIANISM REVIVED

This is the end of the Biblical record of the kingdom of Babylon as it existed under Nebuchadnezzar and under his son Belshazzar. But the spirit of Babylon, we have reminded you, continues to live on, and never dies, until the Lord Jesus Christ Himself comes to annihilate it forever and forever. We find the spirit and the program of Babylonianism carried on just as zealously as before, under the Medes and the Persians, and later on under the Grecian form of Gentile world dominion. Then under the Roman Empire, and at the end of this age it will reach its height and its pinnacle under the man of sin, the antichrist. At the close of this dispensation, and we believe it will be very soon, the Lord Jesus Christ is going to take out from this world all of His elect members of the body of the Lord Jesus Christ. After they are gone, there will arise on the scene a man who will be the anti-type of king Belshazzar who will once

more seek to bring together all the nations of the world in a Babylonian, anti-religious, anti-Christian system of political power. He will seek to federate all the nations of the world, and it will seem that he will succeed for a time, but his mistake too, will be that he will stretch forth his hand to touch the holy things of God. He will seek to conquer the Holy Land which God gave to Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob as an everlasting possession. He will stretch forth his hand to touch God's holy covenant people, the nation of Israel, and as in the case of Belshazzar, it was the occasion for the sending forth of the judgment of Almighty God. So too, when, after the church has been taken out, the antichrist, after having brought together the nations of the world in a temporary peace and prosperity, will stretch forth his hand to touch the Promised Land, that he may conquer that which God gave by covenant promise to only one nation, the nation of Israel, and will begin persecuting God's ancient covenant people. This will be the signal for the coming of the Lord Jesus Christ and the destruction of Babylonianism. As we mentioned before we have the record of all this given very graphically, a fulfillment of the fifth chapter of Daniel, in the 16th, 17th, and 18th chapters of the book of the Revelation of Jesus Christ, where we have given in great detail, the history of Babylonianism in its final form, under its final head, the antichrist, and its complete and ultimate destruction when the Lord Jesus Christ comes. Now this record in Revelation 16, 17, and 18, is the anti-type, the fulfillment of that which was taught by the smiting of the image of Nebuchadnezzar, by a great stone from heaven in Daniel 2, by the cutting down of the tree in the tree vision of Daniel chapter 4, and by the fall of Babylon so graphically given in Daniel 5, the chapter which we are studying at this particular time.

There are in the world at this very moment, a great number of movements which seem to indicate beyond a shadow of doubt that the time of the reviving of Babylonianism in the world is very, very near at hand. All eyes are centered upon one little land today, situated at the eastern end of the Mediterranean Sea, which is best known to us as the Holy Land, the Promised Land, the land of Palestine, the ancient land of Israel, and the land of Canaan. Not a day goes by that it is not

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in the headlines, because there centers one of the most crucial problems of all history, and of all the problems that confront the nations today as they seek a solution for the world's ills, there is no greater problem than the Palestine problem. Now man has failed to take into consideration God's prophetic program. If men would only turn to the Word of God and find what God has to say in regard to this land, and the people to whom this land belongs, and has belonged to since the days of Abraham, Isaac and Jacob, we would have peace and prosperity; but man would rather seek his own solution, and so the awful turmoil in the world continues to go on, until, like Nebuchadnezzar, men will recognize the God of heaven and be willing to follow His program with regard to the holy things of God, His holy nation, His holy Land, and His sacred program.

In our next two messages we are going to take up in some detail what we believe to be the Bible teaching concerning the land of Palestine and its place among the kingdoms of the world today. We believe that God has given in His Word, the solution for man's problems, and if men and the leaders of the nations would only turn to the Word of God instead of seeking their own wisdom and logic and understanding, and by their own ingenuity to bring themselves out of the maze and the mess of misunderstanding which is gripping the world today, all these problems could be solved. However, we know that in the program of God, it will not come until the Lord Jesus Christ Himself returns again to this earth. In our succeeding messages we shall deal with this problem of Palestine according to the Word of God. We trust that you will ask yourself the question now, however, as we come to the close of this message, "Am I ready for these end-time events?" Let me remind you that before the final revival of Babylonianism and the doom of the ungodly kingdoms of this world, the Lord Jesus Christ is coming back again to take His Church unto Himself, to take us into Heaven with Himself at the Judgment Seat of Christ, and those who shall be left behind will have to pass through the awful judgment of the tribulation period so graphically described in the book of the Revelation. May I ask you, "Are you ready to meet the One and only King of Kings, the Lord of Lords, the Lord Jesus Christ?" Belshazzar was feasting

amidst the judgment that was impending. Then God's warning fingers came, and then the judgment fell. You, too, my friend, if you are unsaved, are feasting amidst the ominous rumblings of coming judgment, and this is God's warning to you to flee from the wrath to come before it is too late. God help you to look to Christ now and be saved.

CHAPTER FOUR

"Belshazzar the king made a great feast to a thousand of his lords, and drank wine before the thousand.

Belshazzar, while he tasted the wine, commanded to bring the golden and silver vessels which his father Nebuchadnezzar had taken out of the temple which was in Jerusalem; that the king, and his princes, his wives, and his concubines, might drink therein.

Then they brought the golden vessels that were taken out of the temple of the house of God which was at Jerusalem; and the king, and his princes, his wives, and his concubines, drank in them.

They drank wine, and praised the gods of gold, and of silver, of brass, of iron, of wood, and of stone."

Daniel 5:1-4

In our previous message we pointed out that the occasion for the judgment of God upon king Belshazzar, king of Babylon, was the fact that he stretched forth his hand to touch the things which God has consecrated and declared holy, even the vessels which king Nebuchadnezzar had taken from the holy temple in the holy city of Jerusalem in the Holy Land, and had taken God's covenant people captive and scattered them throughout the kingdoms of the world. This act always brings forth the judgment of Almighty God. Way back in making His covenant with Abraham, He had said, "Blessing, I will bless them that bless thee, and cursing, I will curse

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them that curse thee." And it is the record of history, indelibly written, that any nation which has ever persecuted God's ancient people, Israel, and has captured the Holy Land which belongs to this covenant people, has always suffered the wrath and the judgment of Almighty God, and so it will be even unto the end.

Now before taking up the Biblical account of God's purpose for the land of Palestine, and for His ancient people, Israel, I want it thoroughly understood, that what I have to say is not in criticism of what any of the nations of the world are doing today. It is not my business to criticize or to find fault, but rather in a positive and in a constructive way to set before you the program as it is outlined in the Word of God; the solution of the problem of the middle east today, as it is given beyond a shadow of doubt in the words of prophecy. God has not left us in darkness, and if the leaders of the nations today would turn to the Word of God and the words of the prophets they would have in a moment the solution to the problem which has been vexing the nations throughout all these centuries and millenniums as regards this little parcel of land which we call the Holy Land, a small section of land, comprising a territory only one-fourth as big as the entire state of Ohio, no larger than New Hampshire or Vermont, and yet it has been the very nub of controversy and of bloody strife and revolution throughout all the ages. Today, right at this season we are more than ever reminded of the importance of this land of Palestine, the Holy Land. Once a year all of Christendom celebrates the birth of a man who was born in a stable, laid in a manger, in this little land of the eastern end of the Mediterranean. It was there where the Prince of Peace, the Lord Jesus Christ, came, where He taught, where He suffered, where He was crucified, and died, where He was buried, where He arose again, from which He ascended into heaven, and to which according to prophecy He will return again when He comes to take the kingdoms of the world and to make them His very own. But not only once a year is this land in the headlines but every day in the year we read in our papers and hear the reports over the radio, of the difficulties and the problems of the Holy Land, the Land of Palestine. We are led to ask WHY? WHY? All this commotion about

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a small piece of land which we could tuck away three times over in Lake Michigan alone, and yet which is more important apparently to the peace of this world than any other problem which is before the nations today. We want you to consider, therefore, very carefully some of the things that we shall point out as revealed in the Word of God.

The program of God centers about one people and one land as far as the governments of this world are concerned. That one people is called "Israel," and that one land is called in Scripture, the land of Palestine, the land of Canaan, the Promised Land, and the Glorious Land. Israel is the nation composed of the natural descendants of Abraham through Isaac and through Jacob and his twelve sons. The land is that parcel of ground located in Mesopotamia, comprising a section of land according to the original grant given to Abraham, from the River Nile to the River Euphrates, and bounded on the west by the Mediterranean Sea. In history Israel only possessed a very small part of this land, the part known as Palestine, but in prophecy the Lord has promised the entire country to them for an everlasting possession. These two, the people of Israel and the land of Israel, were included in the covenant which God made with Abraham when He called him out of the Ur of the Chaldeas. It was a covenant of grace that God made with Abraham. Now remember, a covenant of grace is a covenant which God makes with Himself in the interest of another. A covenant of grace is always an unconditional covenant, and depends for its complete fulfillment upon the faithfulness of God alone and is in no way dependent upon the faithfulness or behaviour of men FOR WHOM the covenant has been made. There are no "ifs" in the covenant of grace. The moment a single condition is added which man must fulfill, it ceases to be of grace and becomes immediately a covenant of works. This covenant of grace occupies a large part of the record of the life of Abraham. God repeated it seven times to Abraham alone. Then repeated it again to Isaac, and then to Jacob, and then to Moses. Later to David and to Solomon, and again and again to the children of Israel through the prophets. We shall study just a few of them in the time that we have.

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"Now the Lord had said unto Abram, Get thee out of thy country, and from thy kindred, and from thy father's house, unto a land that I will shew thee: And I will make of thee a great nation, and I will bless thee, and make thy name great; and thou shalt be a blessing:" Genesis 12:1-2

Notice two things about this covenant of Grace which God made with Abraham. First, God does it all. There are no conditions on the part of Abraham, except to believe God in that which He promises to do. God says, "I WILL shew thee the land." He says, "I WILL make thee a great nation." He says, "I WILL bless thee." God does it, you will notice, all because it is a covenant of grace, and independent of anything which Abram is to do.

Secondly, notice that the covenant has to do with a land. He says, Go unto a land that I will shew thee. And then notice, too, that it has to do with a seed, for He says, I will make of thee a great nation. The two objects of the covenant of God's grace made to Abraham are a PEOPLE and the LAND which this people are to possess. No matter where you pick up the line of the covenant, it is always with reference to the land and the people of this land. Israel and the land are forever inseparable, and are inseparably associated from the very first. Please bear these two words in mind, Israel and the land of Palestine. They are inseparable. Notice in this connection the following quotation from Genesis 13, and verse 14:

"And the Lord said unto Abram, after that Lot was separated from him, Lift up now thine eyes, and look from the place where thou art northward, and southward, and eastward, and westward; For all the LAND which thou seest, to thee will I give it, and to thy SEED forever. And I will make thy SEED as the dust of the earth . . . Arise, walk through the LAND in the length of it and in the breadth of it; for I will give it unto thee." Genesis 13:14-17

Then in Genesis 15:18 we read:

"In the same day the Lord made a covenant with Abram, saying, Unto THY SEED HAVE I GIVEN THIS LAND, from the river of Egypt unto the great river, the river Euphrates."

In this passage we have God giving to Abraham the boundaries of the land which his seed was to possess. It includes far more than is usually considered when we speak of the land of Palestine, yet God promised all this land to Abraham and his seed, and therefore the promise must still lie in the future. The prophecies of the Old and New Testament both assert that this glorious time when Israel shall return to the land and possess all of it is very near at hand. Now notice Genesis 17: verse 4

"As for me, behold, my covenant is with thee, and thou shalt be a father of many nations.

And I will establish my covenant between me and thee and thy seed after thee in their generations for an everlasting covenant, to be a God unto thee, and to thy seed after thee.

And I will give unto thee, and to thy seed after thee, the land wherein thou art a stranger, all the land of Canaan, for an everlasting possession; and I will be their God." Genesis 17:4, 7, 8

In this re-affirmation of the covenant we have God giving the term during which the covenant shall last, and please notice, it was to be an everlasting covenant. Time and space prevents us from giving the many other passages where the covenant is re-stated and confirmed to Isaac, to Jacob, to Moses, to David, and through the Prophets, but in each case the same two elements are repeated and we repeat them.

FIRST. It is all of grace. God does not promise this to Abraham on condition that his seed shall be found faithful. There are no "ifs" in this covenant anywhere. God knew what an unfaithful nation Israel would be during the days of the prophets and the kings and how

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they would rebel and turn from God, and how they would reject God's own Son when He came into the world, but all this could not in the least affect the covenant of grace which God made with them through Abraham. Because He, this is, God, could swear by no greater, He sware by Himself.

Then notice **SECONDLY**. The covenant deals with just two things. The seed of Abraham, Israel, and the land of Palestine. Now four hundred years after God made this covenant with Abraham, He made another covenant with the seed of Abraham. It was made at Mt. Sinai and was the covenant of the Law and therefore a covenant of works. Now a covenant of works depends upon the faithfulness of man for its blessing while the covenant of God's grace depends on the faithfulness of God. For this very reason a covenant of works always fails, while a covenant of grace can never fail. The moment the blessing depends on man's behavior or faithfulness it immediately breaks down. Now God made a covenant of works, you remember with Adam in the garden of Eden and Adam failed. God made a covenant of works with Israel on Mt. Sinai and we know Israel failed.

But God made a covenant of grace with Noah after the flood in which He promised that while the earth remaineth, seed time and harvest, cold and heat, and summer and winter, and day and night should not cease. That covenant has never failed. Now when the Israelites had come out of Egypt and were on their way to the land that God had promised through Abraham, He made a covenant of works with them at Sinai and said, "If ye will obey, and if ye will keep my commandments, and if ye will serve Me, then I will bless you and prosper you, but if you will not do all these things, then I will curse you and drive you forth from the land until the time for your restoration." See Leviticus 26:2 to 46, Deut. 29 and 30 and many other similar passages.

In these passages God predicts and promises what He will do to Israel if they fail to keep the covenant of works. Listen to His words as recorded in Leviticus 26:

"And if ye will not for all this hearken unto me, but walk contrary unto me;

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Then I will walk contrary unto you also in fury; and I even I, will chastise you seven times for your sins. And I will bring (now notice) the land into desolation: and your enemies which dwell therein shall be astonished at it.

(And now notice the prediction) And I will scatter you among the nations, and will draw out a sword after you: and your land shall be desolate, and your cities waste. And upon them that are left alive of you I will send a faintness into their hearts in the lands of their enemies; and the sound of a shaken leaf shall chase them: and they shall flee, as fleeing from a sword; and they shall fall when none pursueth." Leviticus 26:27, 28, 32, 33, 36

Surely these words need no comment in the light of Israel's history and her dispersion and in the light of the present developments throughout the world, and the racial unrest, the wave of racial animosity which is sweeping over the earth today. And so today the nation is out of the land because she failed, not because their God had failed.

GRACE STILL STANDS

But all of the failures of the nation and all the years of her dispersion cannot break the covenant of grace which God made with Abraham, and after He has purified and chastened the nation He will fulfil every single promise of the Abrahamic covenant and bring Israel back and plant them forever in their land and they shall never be pulled up out of the land anymore. Amos 9:15. Listen to the words of the Lord concerning this people in Amos 9:14-15

"And I will bring again the captivity of my people of Israel, and they shall build the waste cities and inhabit them; and they shall plant vineyards, and drink the wine thereof; they shall also make gardens, and eat the fruit of them.

AND I WILL PLANT THEM UPON THEIR LAND, AND THEY SHALL NO MORE BE PULLED UP OUT OF THEIR LAND WHICH I HAVE GIVEN THEM, SAITH THE LORD THY GOD." Amos 9:14-15

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"And yet for all that, when they be in the land of their enemies, I will not cast them away, neither will I abhor them, to destroy them utterly, and to break my covenant with them: for I am the Lord their God.

But I will for their sakes remember the covenant of their ancestors, whom I brought forth out of the land of Egypt." Leviticus 26:44-45

This was before the law was given, written in Leviticus 26: verses 44 and 45. Even though Israel breaks the covenant of works and must be punished and chastened because of it, it in no way affects God's covenant of grace. Here is where the great mass of Christians stumble. They imagine that because Israel had failed, God has forsaken them as a nation and God is all through with Israel and she will never go back to the land again, and the church has become spiritual Israel instead. All this error results from a misunderstanding of grace. A covenant of grace cannot be broken because it depends upon the faithfulness of God and not upon man's faithfulness. The enjoyment of that covenant of grace depends on man's faithfulness, to be sure, but it can never affect God's part in fulfilling it all. To teach, therefore, that Israel will not go back to the Holy Land as a nation and possess it forever as God's earthly covenant people and to teach the church now has taken Israel's place is to reveal ignorance of the basic meaning of grace, for God's grace never fails.

THE NEW TESTAMENT TRUTH

In the third chapter of Galations Paul is using an illustration to prove that man is not saved by works but by grace, and the illustration he uses, strangely enough, is the covenant of grace made with Abraham. Here is the record:

"And this I say, that the covenant, that was confirmed before of God in Christ, (the covenant with Abraham) the law, (the covenant of works) which was four hundred and thirty years after, cannot disannul, that it should make the promise of none effect.

For if the inheritance be of the law, (that is, of works) it is no more of promise: but God gave it to Abraham by promise." Galatians 3:17-18

Now do not hurry over that passage. Notice what Paul says. He says that the law covenant which Israel failed to keep cannot set aside or disannul the covenant of promise which God made previously, so even though Israel fails under the law, God's promise to Abraham concerning their everlasting possession of the Holy Land still stands.

THE LAND BELONGS TO ISRAEL

It is as true today as it was in Abraham's day that the land of Palestine belongs to Israel and no one else. God still considers the land as belonging to Abraham's seed. In Leviticus 25:23 we read:

"The land shall not be sold for ever: for the land is mine; for ye are strangers and sojourners with me."

God says the land is mine, and ye, (that is Israel) are sojourners with Me. It is the land of God, the land God promised; it is the land where the Son of God became a Man; it is the land where He walked for thirty-three years; it is the land where He suffered and died and was crucified; it is the land where He was buried and where He arose; it is the land from which He ascended into heaven; and it is the land to which He is coming back again. He is coming back, and when He comes He will not land in America, or in Britian, but His feet shall stand in that day upon the Mount of Olives which is before Jerusalem to the east. This is the Holy Land, preserved for a holy people.

God has an earthly people and He has a land. Both of these He promises to vindicate and defend to the end. He promised Abraham "To bless them that bless thee, and curse him that curseth thee." And history has proven that God keeps His Word. Every nation which has ever persecuted Israel has gone down under God's judgment. God has dealt with every one of them. Pharaoh of Egypt, Nebuchadnezzar, Alexander, the Roman Empire, and even the more modern nations of these latter days and centuries. Every one has come under the judgment

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of God, because they, like Belshazzar, have stretched out their hand to touch Israel, called in the Bible the "apple of His eye."

TRUE OF THE LAND ALSO

What was true of the people is just as true of the land which God included in His covenant with Abraham. No nation has any right to the Holy Land of Palestine but the nation to whom God Himself has given it, and history has proven that every nation which has conquered Palestine and taken it away from Israel, all or in part, has invited the judgment of the Almighty. No, nation, I repeat, has ever escaped the judgment of God which has conquered with the land or with the people of Israel. History stands a mute monument to the proof of this assertion. Even the Crusades failed because the Christians, while they wanted to deliver the land from the sons of Ishmael, were not intent upon giving it back to its rightful owner, the sons of Isaac. Had the Crusaders gone forth with the firm intention of delivering the land and giving it exclusively to the rightful owners, no armies or combination of armies could have stopped them, for God would have been on their side. The solution of this world's ills lies in this one formula. Bringing God's covenant People into God's Holy Land. Thank God this is going to be accomplished when the Lord Jesus Christ comes again. Oh, that the nations of this world, and its leaders might learn to seek what God has to say in His Holy Word concerning the problem that is vexing the nations today. God help us to study His Word in these last closing days so that when the Lord shall come we shall be ready for His appearing and not be ashamed at His coming. Are you ready? May God help you, and may God bless you.

CHAPTER FIVE

No single country of all countries of the world has been so much in the public eye, so much in the news, the past months and years as the land of Palestine. This land is known by a variety of names. One of the most common names we hear it called over the air and in the newspapers is the Holy Land, or the Promised Land.

This is the land which God promised to Abraham and to his seed as an everlasting possession, and even though it has been in the hands of the nations of the world for many, many centuries, God's covenant still defines it as the land which God promised to a particular, peculiar nation, the Nation of Israel, the descendants of the twelve tribes of Jacob. It is significant that it should be called the Holy Land, for the word, holy, has several meanings in Scripture. It does not, as some suppose, always mean holiness in character or conduct or walk. The word, holy, is also applied to inanimate objects. It is applied to the tabernacle, the vessels of the tabernacle, and to a large number of other things. We ourselves are called a holy people in our position, and because we are holy, separated unto God, He expects of us holiness in conduct. The word, holy, when applied to a land or to inanimate objects means that it has been set aside for a definite purpose. Now the Land of Palestine is the Holy Land because in His eternal purpose and program, God has set it aside for the one purpose of occupation by His peculiar people, the descendants of Jacob, and because it is God's Holy Land, anyone who tampers with God's Holy Land, and seeks to separate its people from their possession comes under the judgment of God. This is the record of history. We have a striking example of it in this chapter in Daniel which we are studying in these lectures where Belshazzar, the king, stretched forth his hand and touched the holy things of God, the vessels that had been taken from the holy temple of Jerusalem in the land of Judah. As a result, God brought swift and speedy judgment upon the nation and Babylon fell and came to a dismal end. Today the same thing is still true in principle, and the Holy Land, that little parcel of land situated at the eastern end of the Mediterranean sea, is still the key to the world's problem. When the nation of that land to whom God has promised it by covenant is given full and free possession of this land, then only will the nations be at rest and the peace for which men strive shall finally be realized.

In recent years, there has been much indication of the fact that this is about to be consummated, and we believe that we are at the very threshold of that glorious time when Israel shall be fully restored to the land again and

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the millennial rest by the coming of the Messiah will be ushered in. Many Bible students were quite certain some twenty or twenty-five years ago that we had just about reached that period in history where Israel would be restored to the land and it would be the signal for the return of the Lord Jesus Christ. It is a well-known fact established by history that when the tide of war was turning against the Allies in the First World War, it was a humble, modest little Jewish chemist, now world famous and very much in the news again, Dr. Chaim Weitzman, who came forward in the zero hour of the apparent defeat of the Allies with a formula for the most powerful explosive ever discovered up to that time, T.N.T., and donated that discovery to his beloved country, Britain, and that turned the tide of victory for the Allies. (See Lloyd George's "Memoirs" which gives a graphic account of this whole procedure.) Then it was that Lord Balfour announced that in event of victory over the enemy, the land of Palestine, the Holy Land, would be set aside and given to Israel as her national homeland. Well, you remember the war ended, and the Balfour declaration gave Britain the mandate over the entire land of Palestine, the Holy Land. Here we believe was the golden opportunity. She had it in her power and her right to clear the land of its unlawful possessors and make it exclusively the homeland for God's scattered people. However, for reasons of expediency or otherwise, this dream, this promise, was never fully realized. We want it understood that we are not criticizing, in any way the action of the nation in doing this, but only giving you the historical facts. So that instead of Palestine being set aside as a homeland for the nation of Israel, the Arabs, the direct descendants of Ishmael, were permitted to remain in the tent with the seed of Isaac, and the history of Abraham's tent was repeated. If only the nations had been able to see their way clear to keep their promise to set aside the Holy Land as a national refuge and returned it again to their rightful possessors to whom God has promised it, God might have raised many, many more of the seed of Jacob like Dr. Weitzman to bring blessing and help to the nations of the world. If you are on God's side, you will always have a majority, for God is always able if you only obey His will. A matter of faith, surely it is, purely a matter of

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faith, and sadly tragic it is to say, that at that crucial hour this well-intentioned promise of restoring the land again to Israel was not kept and the awful crisis continues and the unrest in the land is gaining by leaps and by bounds.

ISAAC AND ISHMAEL

You will recall the history of Abraham with his eldest son, Ishmael, and his covenant son, Isaac. Abraham had among other children, two: Ishmael, the first-born who was born of the Egyptian woman in the tent of Abraham, and the second, born thirteen years later, was called Isaac, to whom God had promised that He would give—and to his seed forever the land of the promised covenant, even the land of Palestine. Now as long as Ishmael was alone in the tent of Abraham, there was no trouble of any kind, but when thirteen years later Isaac was born, the trouble began. The advice of Sarah was, "Send Ishmael away out of the tent," and when Abraham refused to put Ishmael out God appeared to him and said to him these words: "Put out the son of the bondwoman, for the son of the bondwoman shall not be heir with Isaac, the son of promise." Abraham obeyed, and peace was restored. Isaac and Ishmael cannot dwell in the same tent at the same time. Now, of course, you know that Isaac was the father of Israel, and Ishmael was the father of the Ishmaelites. The present day Arabs are the direct descendants of Ishmael. They were in the land first, of course, because Ishmael was born in the tent before Isaac was there, but God has promised it, not to Ishmael, not the son of the bondwoman, but to Isaac, the son of the covenant. Now historically, again we find that the Ishmaelites who are the descendants of Ishmael were in the land first when all of this controversy arose some twenty or twenty-five years ago, but when the land was set aside for the coming of Israel, Ishmael must go. Well, you remember the historical story. While the land had been promised and was promised as a homeland for the descendants of Isaac, and there the trouble has been ever since, and has continued and will continue until God's program so clearly laid down shall be obeyed. The Palestine problem will continue until in obedience to God the sons of the bondwoman are put out to make way for the sons of promise.

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DIVIDING THE LAND

Then came probably the greatest mistake and the greatest error of all. Before we take up this tragic error, may I again say that we are not seeking in any way to be critical but only setting forth the teachings of the Word of God in the hope that it may come to the attention of those who are in a position to do something about it in order that God's plan which can never be ignored may be carried out. In seeking to quiet the unrest in the land, the Holy Land, and to put a stop to the continual fighting of Jews and Arabs, the proposal was put forward to divide the land into a number of divisions or states. And so just recently the proposal was again revived to divide the land and split it into three or four separate parts. The northern part was to be set aside for the Arabs; the small part in the south in Judea was to be for the descendants of Isaac, the Israelites, and then the other parts would be under the nation's control as a central federal government that should have jurisdiction over both parts. Oh, if the nations had only known what this proposal really means. It marks the beginning of one of the saddest periods of human history, and is an omen of the approaching end. The word of God is very, very clear that to divide the land, the Holy Land is to commit a crime that God will not permit to go unjudged. We remember what a protest went up from the Zionists all over the world and the strong denunciation from the people of Israel when this was first proposed. And the proposal has not in any way solved the problem but the difficulties, on the contrary, have only continued to increase and will increase until we give heed to the "Thus saith the Lord."

THE DOUBLE SIN

In Daniel, chapter three, the Lord tells us the reasons why He is going to judge the nations in the latter days, especially in the tribulation period, and He gives two, two very definite reasons for the coming of God's judgment upon the nations. Listen very carefully to Joel 3:2:

"I will also gather all nations, and will bring them down into the valley of Jehosaphat, and will plead with them there for my people and for my

heritage (now note very, very carefully) Israel, whom they have scattered among the nations, and parted (or divided) my land."

Now note the two reasons why God says He is going to judge the nations in the end time. It is first, they have scattered my people among the nations. Second, they have parted or divided my land. And don't miss this. God says it is MY land and He is referring to the land of Palestine which we know usually as the Holy Land. The first sin, many of the nations have committed by persecuting God's people, and we have seen them go down one after another for God's Word cannot be broken. The second great error, and we are praying that God will open the eyes of the leaders of the nations and cause them to repent and enjoy the blessing of the Lord, the second of these sins is the proposal to divide, to partition, the land of Palestine. Or turn if you will, to Daniel Chapter 11. Here, in describing the act of the anti-christ, we read this:

"Thus shall he (that is, the antichrist) do in the most strong holds with a strange god, whom he shall acknowledge and increase with glory: and he shall cause them to rule over many, and SHALL DIVIDE THE LAND for gain." Daniel 11:39

And then follows the description of God's judgment upon the man of sin and his ruin because of this particular sin. All this, please note, follows immediately upon the statement that he shall divide the land for gain.

THE LAST STRAW

According to the clear teaching of the Word of God, the next event in the program of God is the catching away of the Church of the Lord Jesus. Then the man of sin, the antichrist, the anti-type of a Nimrod and Nebuchadnezzar and the Caesars will appear upon the scene. He will first of all promise the nation of Israel to restore them back again into their land, and when he has by deception gained their confidence, he is going to turn upon them in the midst of that tribulation period, and will repeat the sin of dividing the land of Palestine. And when he stretches out his hand to touch that which is

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holy, that which God called "My land", it will be the last straw, it will be the occasion for the coming of the judgment of Almighty God upon the man of sin and upon all his armies and upon all his program, and they shall be miserably destroyed at the return of the Lord Jesus Christ in power and in great glory. It is well to remember this because it is taught in type as well as direct statement throughout all the Scripture. Just remember that Belshazzar who is a type of this coming man of sin made this great mistake of stretching forth his hand to touch the things which God had called holy.

Now we have taken a great deal of time and gone into considerable detail in order to set before you what we believe to be according to the Word of God the basic problem of the world today, and the only hope for the longed for and sought for peace for which man is striving. Israel is still God's chosen nation. That does not mean that they as individuals can be saved without the Lord Jesus Christ, but as a nation they are still God's chosen nation. Palestine, the Holy Land, is still God's chosen land, and there can be no peace in this world until the nation and the land according to God's purpose are again wholly united. Every peace effort, all of the wisdom of diplomats and endless bloodshed will never bring about a government which will assure lasting tranquillity and prosperity. Only as the nation is back in the land and the Messiah is their king, will the time come when they shall "beat their swords into ploughshares and their spears into pruning hooks, and they shall learn war no more." The key to lasting peace is the land of Israel and the Israel of the land. The Lord has commanded us to pray for the peace of Jerusalem; they shall prosper that love thee. When Jerusalem is at peace the world will be at peace. Let us pray that the leaders of the nations may soon see that God is on the side of those that recognize His program. We believe that the wars that have been ravaging the world, and causing utter destruction of many of the nations and which have avowed to exterminate Israel and are seeking to conquer Palestine will ultimately be defeated. Soon the day will be here when the oppressors shall cease, and

"Jesus shall reign where're the sun

Does his successive journeys run;

His kingdom spread from shore to shore,

Till moons shall wax and wane no more."

We have tried to set before you the program of God. May we again say that we have not in any way tried to enter into any political argument or set ourselves up as judges of what the nations are doing or to be critical in any destructive sense, but only to set before you what we believe from the very depths of our heart to be the inspired program of Almighty God with the firm conviction that until the nations of the world learn God's program and are willing to follow His formula for peace, there can be no lasting peace. Let us pray for our leaders, let us pray for our nation, let us pray for the nations of this world, that the time shall soon come when every knee shall bow to the Lord Jesus Christ and every tongue confess that Jesus Christ is Lord to the glory of God the Father. Then shall peace like a river cover the earth. Then shall Israel be at rest in her own land. Then shall the nations know war no more. Every man shall sit under his own vine and under his own fig tree, and the long hoped for, long prayed for, millennial age of peace will come when the nations shall be at rest and Christ shall have dominion over land and sea. God haste the day. In closing may we ask you, are you ready for that time? Very soon we believe, from all indications round about us, the Lord Jesus Christ will return and you will have to stand before Him personally to give an account of what you have done with Him. On whose side are you today? God help you. God bless you.

Pray for the Peace of Jerusalem.

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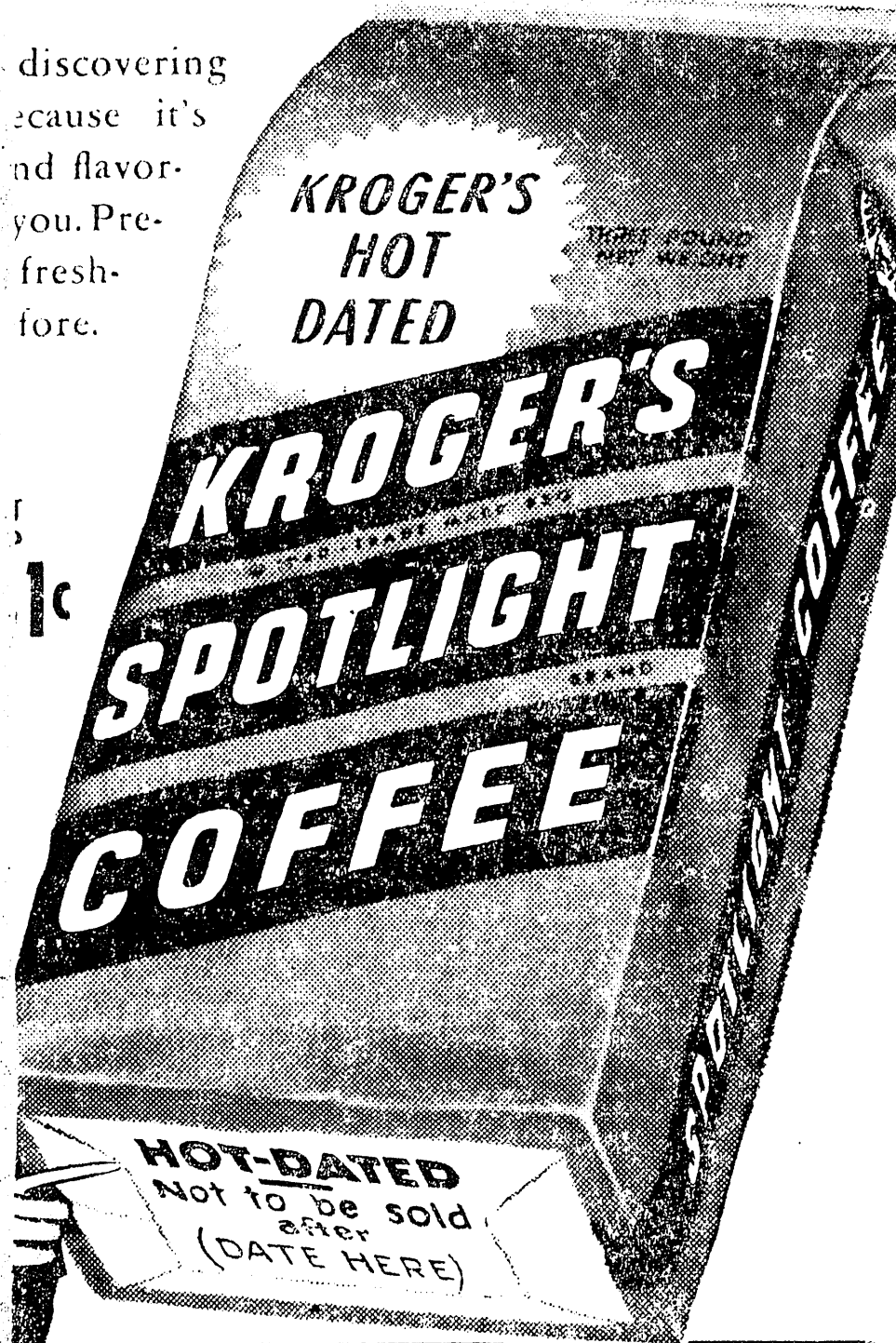
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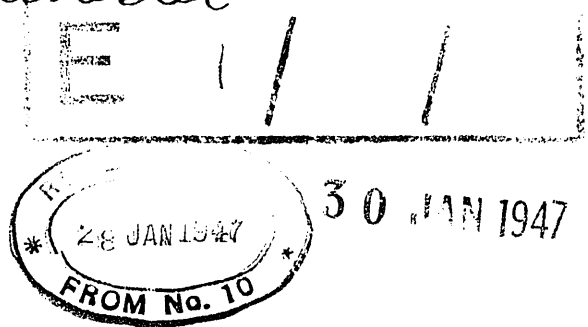


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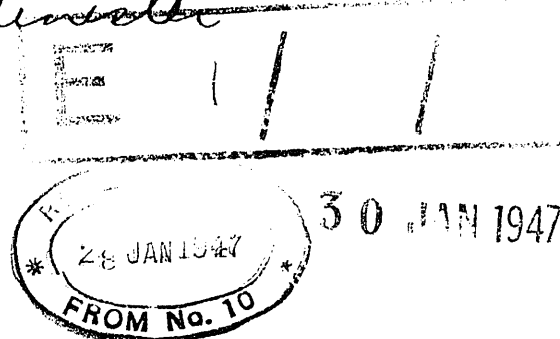
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Churchill made his promise of fair and humane treatment for the Jewish people for himself and his government. There were over 100,000 Jewish soldiers who, in World War II, walked together, side by side, and fought and died, with the British and American soldiers.

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In return for the military services of the more than 100,000 Jews the British are forcibly taking Jewish people in Palestine to hell-hole concentration camps where conditions are unspeakable. The British are continuing to build concentration camps at Cypress and putting Jewish population in them.

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Again, human beings, men, women and children are being herded into barb wire enclosures for no other reason than that they are homeless and the British government has broken another of its pledges. This is what the more than 100,000 Jewish young men, in World War II, fought for! This is the payoff from Great Britain!

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Certainly Churchill and his government were not then thinking of concentration camps such as Great Britain is building at Cypress and filling with homeless Jews who arrive at Palestine hoping to make their homes there.

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But the government of Great Britain, under its present Prime Minister Attlee, has not kept this pledge of the former prime minister and the English government. It has ignored its promise wholly, terribly and cruelly.

Churchill made his promise of fair and humane treatment for the Jewish people for himself and his government. There were over 100,000 Jewish soldiers who, in World War II, walked together, side by side, and fought and died, with the British and American soldiers.

In return what are the Jewish soldiers, who survived the sacrifices and suffering of the world conflict, and other Jews, getting out of the Jewish contribution to victory? What are they receiving from Prime Minister Attlee and the British government today?

In return for the military services of the more than 100,000 Jews the British are forcibly taking Jewish people in Palestine to hell-hole concentration camps where conditions are unspeakable. The British are continuing to build concentration camps at Cypress and putting Jewish population in them.

THE British camps, in which Jews are confined, are even worse than the Nazi German concentration holes in which innocent victims were confined and where millions went to their deaths or lifelong invalidism.

Again, human beings, men, women and children are being herded into barb wire enclosures for no other reason than that they are homeless and the British government has broken another of its pledges. This is what the more than 100,000 Jewish young men, in World War II, fought for! This is the payoff from Great Britain!

Is such treatment of Jews what Prime Minister Churchill meant when he said:

"Peoples will, for the good of all, walk together, side by side, in majesty, in justice and in peace?"

Certainly Churchill and his government were not then thinking of concentration camps such as Great Britain is building at Cypress and filling with homeless Jews who arrive at Palestine hoping to make their homes there.

The British recently came to the United States asking for a loan of \$3,700,000,000 and got it. Some of this loan must be provided by taxes paid by Jewish people in this country.

The British are great takers but poor givers. Nor do they keep their promises. Loans made by the United States to Britain in World War I have not been paid. There is no reason to believe the World War II loan will be paid. The British government does not keep its word.

How long are the American people going to tolerate this condition?

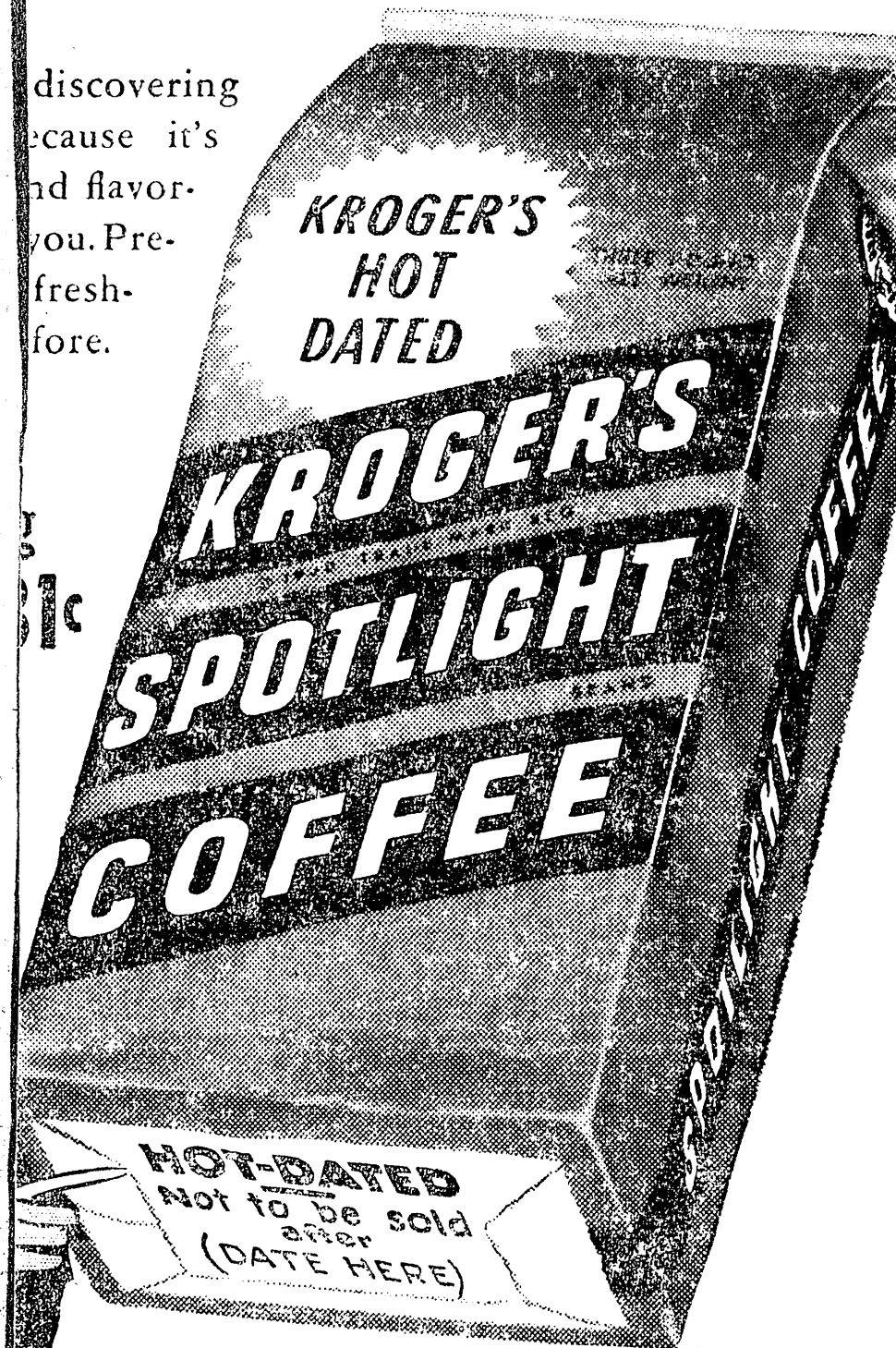
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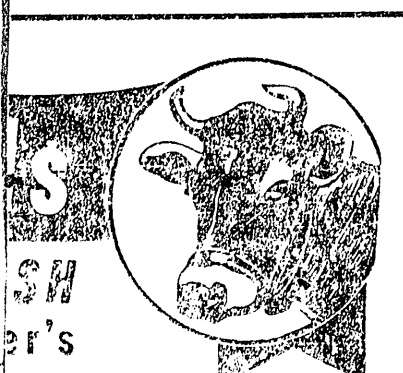
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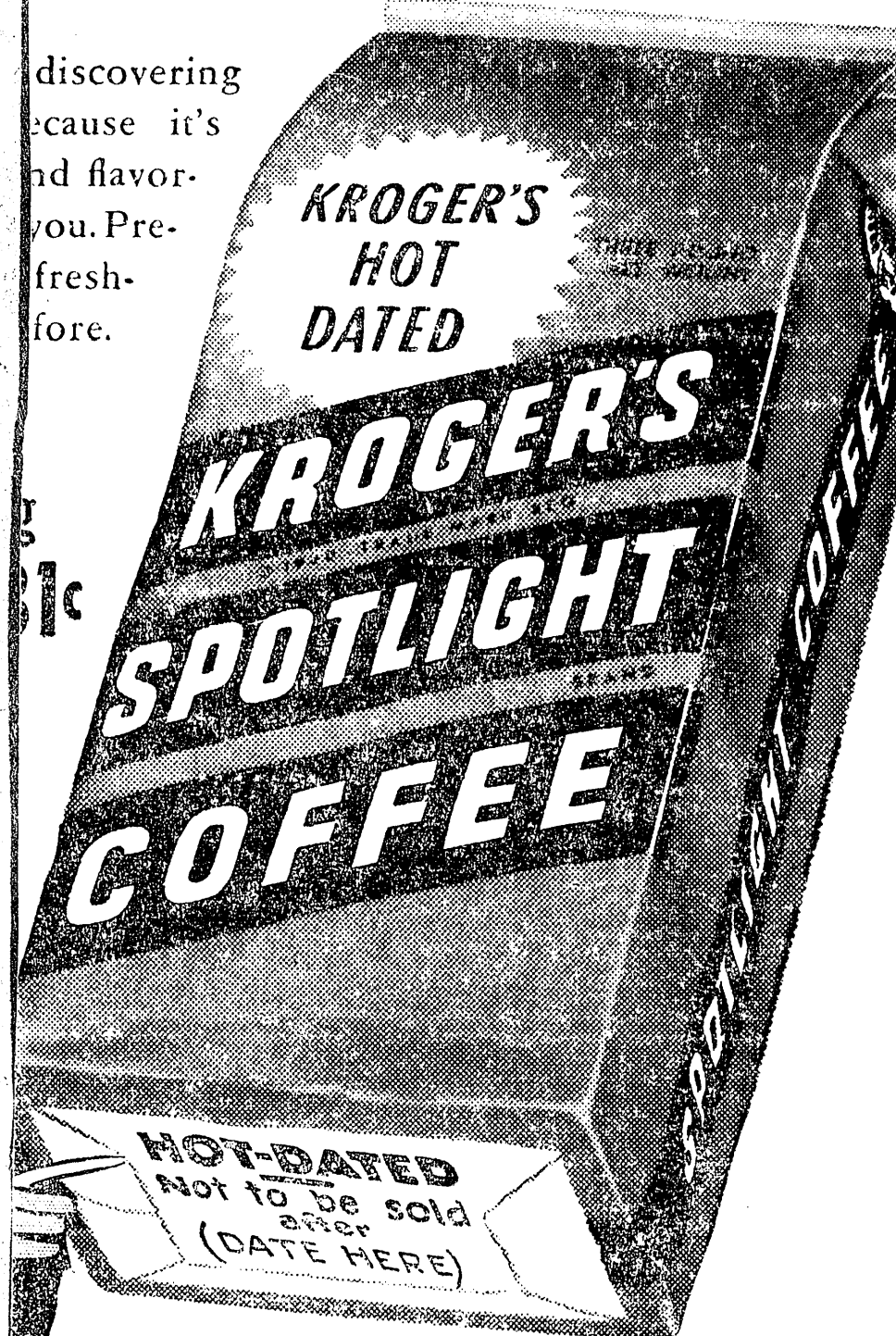
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Hill View
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Dear Sir

Is it not time
you did something about
the Jews in Jerusalem
are they failing to
frighten us !!

Why not say we will kill
them all out of England
Hacking, erasing
unless they believe
themselves
are we British
a half breeds ??
Have we lost our
dignity and nerves ??
Yours truly A. Sult (Trinidad)

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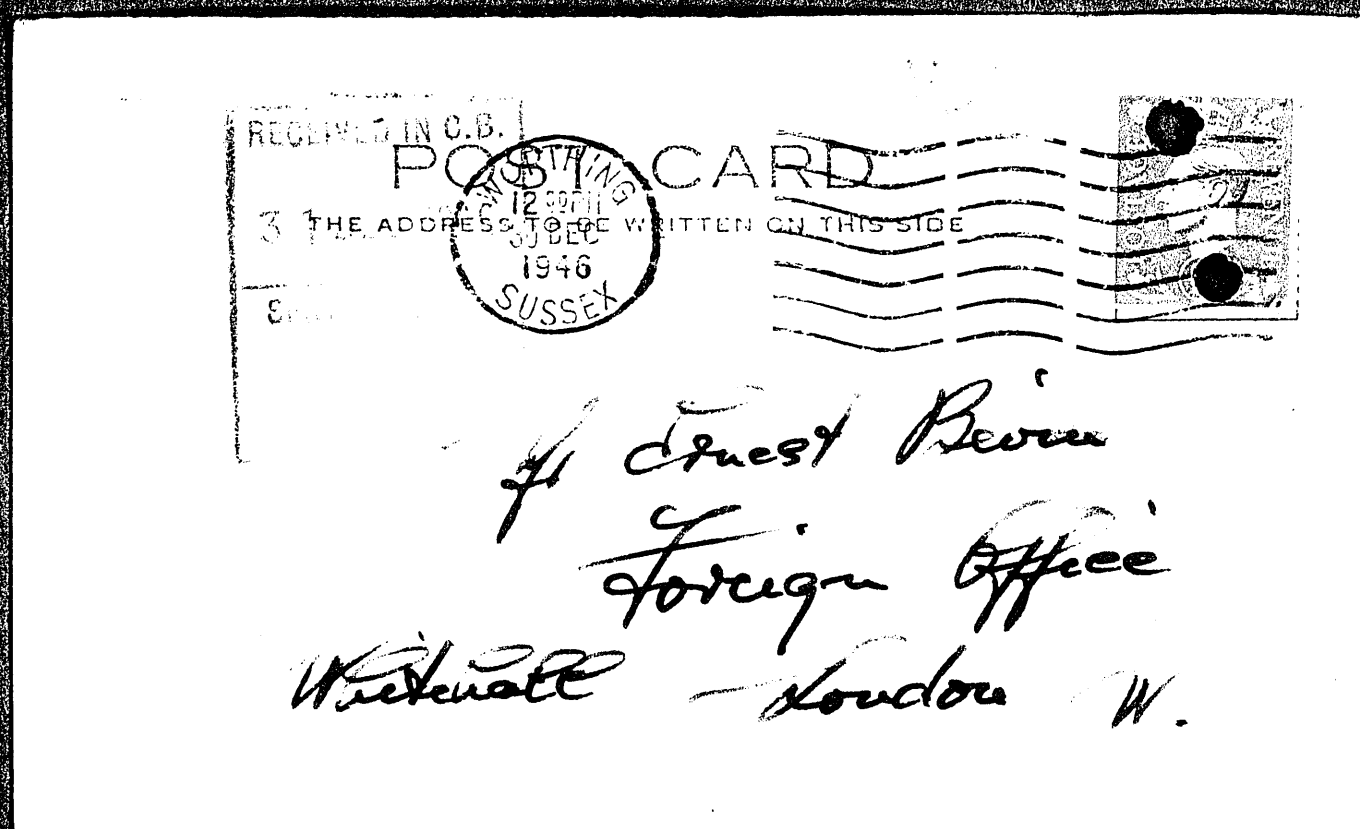
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 How much longer do you think
 Englishmen will tolerate their sons being
 used as "Jant Sallys" in Palestine.
 Let them have a go, or bring them home.
or don't you care
 John J. Kettle

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LION HOTEL
BEDFORD

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R.A.C.

Jan. 3rd

Dear Sir

The proper way to deal with
the Jews who flogged our
men in Tel Aviv is to
"hang them" - and have

the "trial" afterwards.
I have relatives in the Palestinian

Police and am frightened
of the British leniency
towards them.

Yours faithfully
Lionel Brent.

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 Wood St.
 W. St. E. 17, 132
 5th Jan 1947.

47 46 7 JAN 1947
 Sir,
 That action is being taken
 against this friend, Smarter K.O.
 What does he think The British
 Race is made of? For 7 years
 our lads have laid down their
 lives for The Jewish Rabble
 and to be dictated by Jews is
 going far beyond a joke. How
 much longer is The British Race
 going to be shot at, spit at,
 and insulted and assailed
 from all angles. I am one of
 millions of Ex Servicemen and
 Women who stayed at home here
 in London Blitz of 1940/1 until
 I went into The Armed Forces

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in July 1941 and thence
Overseas for 3 years. Like

thousands more of men I have seen This Jewish Rabble
exploit our chaps in uniform
for sheer profit and to say that
Hellen etc did a job of work
is only too true especially in
light of what is happening

Since the cessation of hostilities
To try and say that these Palestine
outrages are perpetrated by a
few Terrorists ONLY tends to
make matters worse. All
Jews, even if they say they do
not connive in it, are all
Tarnished with the same brush
otherwise they could Act
at once against their Lies
Brethren in Palestine and

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in other countries where they
are creating a violent nuisance
Toward the Jewish Fraternity
Not to do this. All their

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propaganda (and they are part
masters at this too) cannot
fool all of us too. Snug
complacent British Race.
Needless to mention I am Not
an Anti Semite because I
Always have Voted for Labour
but I am no real lover
of Jewish methods in life
and 99 per cent of them are
crooked. When one knows more
or less that Black Market
Activities, Big Robberies and
Crimes are carried out for
Jewish Terrorism, it does not

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make things any better. Let's
 see less of Lower Politics
 and Jewish Dictation over
 here in Britain not forgetting
 Jewish pressure from Central
 Europe and America. It's as
 British Citizens that counts
 most especially ^{then} one knows
 the International Refinery
 created by Jews all ~~over~~ over
 the World today. Too many of
 our boys are being treated
 shabbily whilst Jews and
 foreigners are committing all
 the Vices and even excused in
 them. Action is badly needed
 against Jewry and without
 Jewish propaganda from within
 and without Party Hacks.
British Ex-Serviceman

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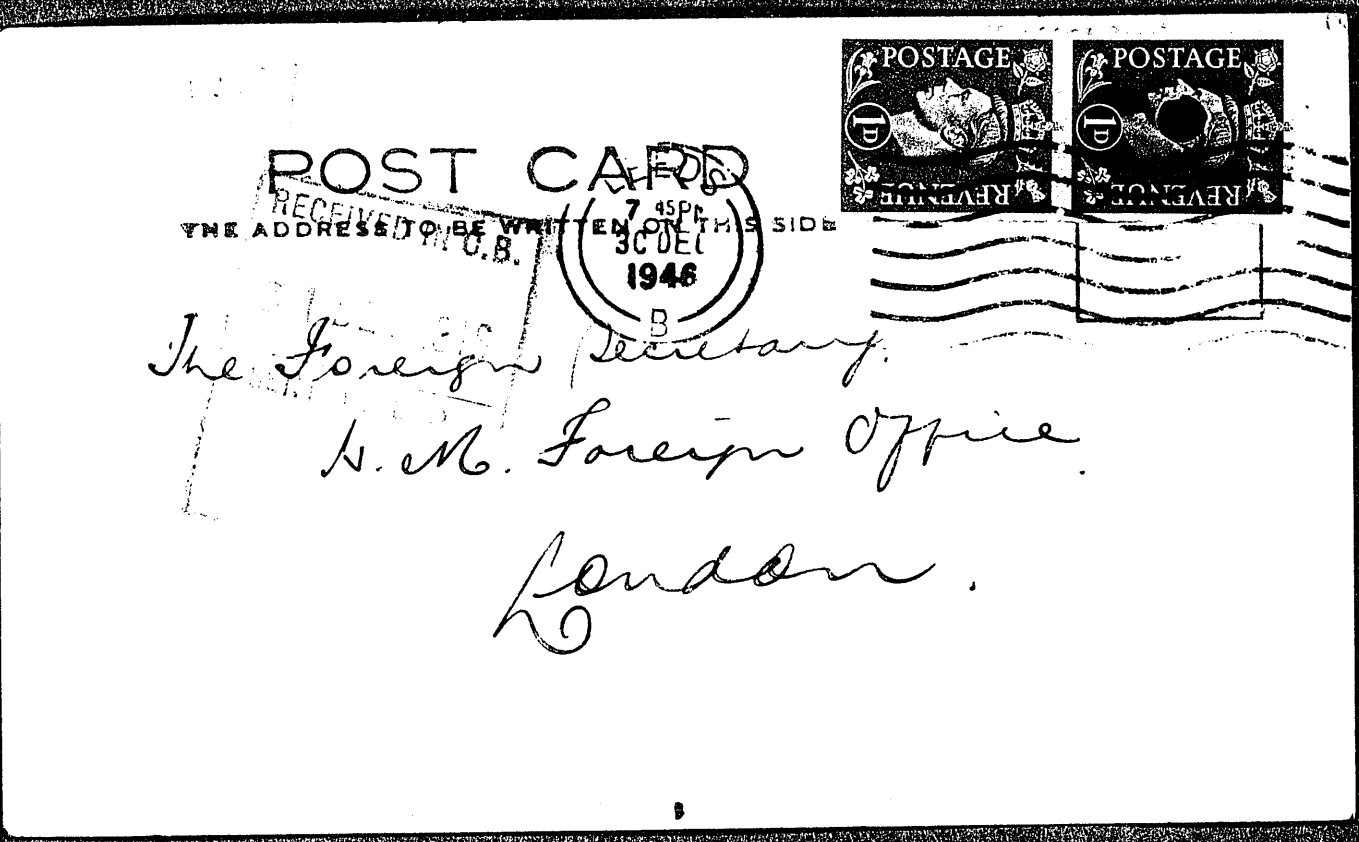
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 Is it not high time that H. M.
 Foreign Secretary took energetic
 steps to put a stop to the loss of
 British lives. The new outrage of
 the flogging of a British Officer surely
 shows the weakness in the appeasement
 policy now being followed.
 Noel Taylor

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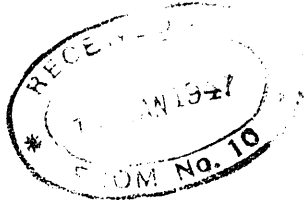


Hôtel du Lac
VEVEY (Suisse)
O. RIEDEL, propr.
Tél. 5 10 41

January 2. 1947.
R. H. I. 47 46 31 158
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The Prime Minister.

Dear Sir



I should be very glad
to know what is being done
in Palestine to preserve the
Honour & dignity of the
British army. I see in the
Times of December 30th that
a Major & 2 h.C.O.s have
been flogged by Jews. That is
more than any English man
or woman can stand & action

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Letters dated January 3, and 4, 1947, addressed to the Prime Minister by Ernst Umbreit of Hænskefabrik Hako, Blegdamsvej 32-34, Copenhagen.

Précis.

In the first letter he congratulates the Prime Minister on the progress of Socialism in Great Britain and expresses his views regarding India and on terrorism in Palestine. In the second letter he further expresses his opinions regarding the Jews. He is not anti-Semitic but considers that by inheritance the Jews are encumbered with low impulses and instincts. On the other hand he has a regard for Heinrich Heine like he has for Karl Marx.

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Verwicklung werden sie ihre besten Freunde. Das verwickelte
 ist daher das die extreme Terrorgruppe an der Dr. Weidmann
 nicht ganz unschuldig ist, ihre Theorie von den deutschen
 Philosophen kritische herogen haben, von wegen der Spin-
 nerer vom Übermenschen genau wie Hitler. Ein
 Freund von den früheren Reichskanzler Dr. Walter Rathenau
 der Dr. Adolf Levenstein Berlin-Wilmersdorf, Helmsdorfer
 Strasse 9 war derselbe Spinner. Die ganze Terrorgruppe
 ist reif fürs Trennen. Es sollte ihnen für alle Zeiten
 ein für allemal ihr religiöses Torium gelegt werden,
 wenn nicht anders mit Markt. Es fehle noch das eine
 solche kulturwiegende Hinderheit unter den Völkern der
 Erde, alle Kultur aus religiösen Materialismus heraus Theorie
 = vierer Künste. Wir haben genügend mit den völkermordenden National-
 mit internationalen Sozialisten gegen Ihr. Ernst Umbreit.

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Herr
Premierminister Mlee
in London (England)
House of Commons.

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Kopenhagen. 4. 1. 1947

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Herrn Premierminister Mølle!

Wetter gewesen!

Schmerz über die Judenfrage und
Palästina wie ich es verstehe.
Die Judenfrage ist mehr als ein
Problem. Um die Unterlage daran
zu bekommen ist der Beste man
läßt einmündige Juden selber
sprechen. Lassen wir Heinrich
Heine sprechen, er sagte in seinen
Werken: Ist ein Jude gut so ist
er besser als ein Christ und
ist er schlecht so ist er auch
schlechter als dieser. Und dann
Jude bleibt Jude. Soweit Heinrich
Heine als Jude. Kann habe ich

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selber mit sich. In der der höheren
Klasse Verkehr gehabt und kann
nur sagen. Heinrich Heine hat
Recht gehabt. Ist der Jude nicht
erwacht der vollendete Feind in
ihm und nichts was mehr sich
ist bei ihm zu entdecken, ja dann
betrügt der Jude sogar den.
In der Herr Dr. Adolf Leventstein
ein Jude Berlin-Wilmersdorf Heilmann
Hause u behauptete mir persönlich
gegenüber der früheren Reichskanzler
H. Walter Rathenau wäre ein
Schwabe er habe ihm nur 300 Tausend
Mark betrogen und ihn als
Freund nur das Recht zugestanden
in Christus selig zu werden.
Dabei habe er Dr. Leventstein ihm Dr.
Rathenau gute Dienste in Tübingen
geleistet wo er seine Jugendzeit
verlebte.

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ihm wäre er raioniert durch Long-
 talorkolose welcher er sich in den
 einigen Winternächten in Finnbua-
 tungen. habe. Wir selbst kan-
 ne Erwählung unglücklich sei-
 dass ein Thema einen. Thema an-
 Ende zu Ende er schräge. Ränge.
 Deshalb wurde ich mit an die
 Haupter hier von Dr. Walter Khateran.
 Vermögen - 15 Millionen, der
 Schwester von Dr. W. Khateran.
 Ihr Name ist Frau Bankier
 Anarewen, wohnt Berlin Zinne-
 wald (tilla Flase I.) Ich selbst habe
 Dr. W. Khateran immer für einen
 Sozialisten gehalten mit seinem
 humanitären System dargestellt
 Dr. Adolf Levanstein.
 Frau Bankier Anarewen ob Schwester
 Dr. Walter Khateran machte ich auf

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die Verantwortlichen ihres Amtes auf-
merksam und da die Hilfsmittel
war alle die durch die Handlungen.
Die Antwort war: In dieser Ange-
legenheit wäre nichts mehr zu
machen und mit der nächsten
Schneefallung ist Frau Bankiers
adressen per Express nach der
Schweiz abgefahren.
Wer ist Dr. Leo Leventhal? Er ist
ein Engländer der einst die Arbeit
frage gänzlich anarchisiert
aufzuheben zu müssen. 20 Jahre
früher gewerkschaftlich organisiert.
starke dröseliger Fiskus unter
dann herhalten. Das Buch die
dröseligerlage ist der von Verlag
brosch. Reinholdet München.
Schellingstr. 10 München.
Die Unterlage dieses Buches aber hatte

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er sich bei den weltbekannten Schmeisser
Wissenschaftler^{Frederik} Grewen, was
für ihn ein sehr unliebsames
Verhältnis hatte.

In dieser Arbeitskunde Bemerkung
war ich selber beteiligt und mein
Votum steht in den Lebensentwurf
Buche Proben: Ingenieur
Das Buch habe ich mit hier in
Kopenhagen als Beweisstück.
Ich habe ich meine Indianer kennen
gelernt. Aber ich weiß noch mehr,
hier werde ich wie so dumm sein
und werde wie Hitler Antisemit
werden, denn der Hass ist mir
nicht nur blinde sondern auch
kulturell. Ich werde die
Indianer als wirklich bestrafen, er
den niederen Griechen und Türken
vorgelassen ist. Heinrich Heine war

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mit einem kleinen Lesezeichen
ein offener und freier Charakter
und ihm habe ich die Liebe
geben wie von Vater.

Mit internationalen Beziehungen
durch London

Kopenhagen Dänemark

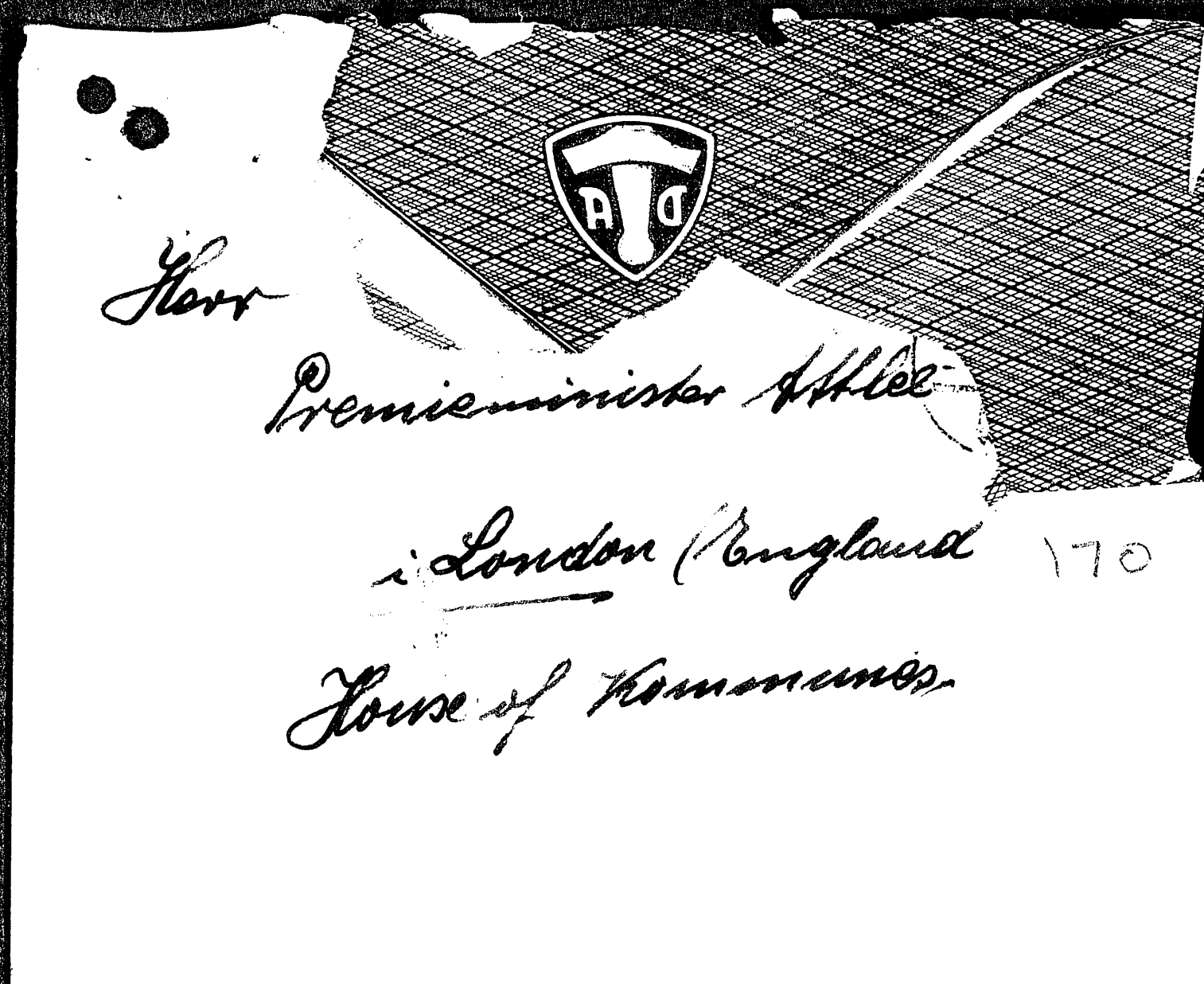
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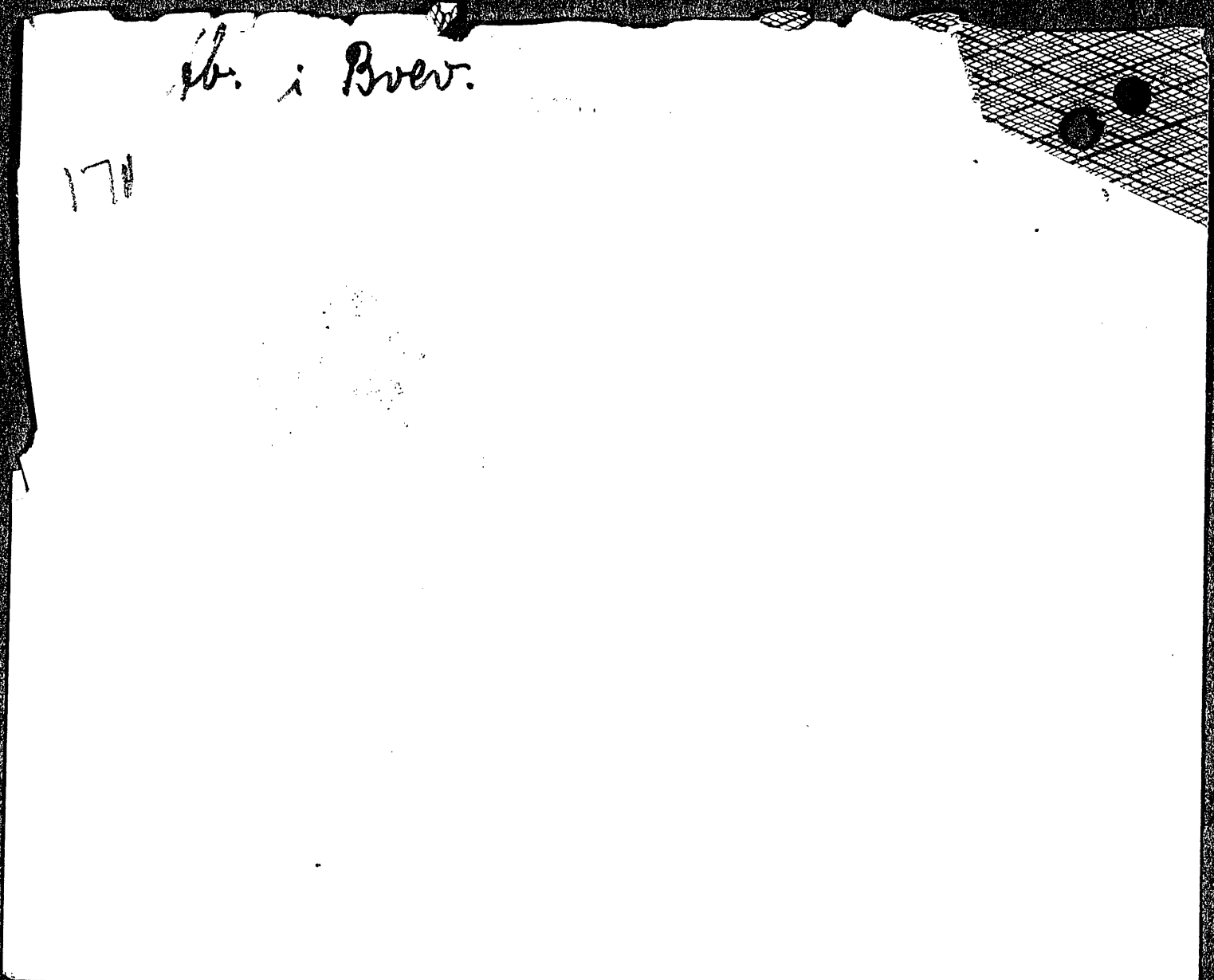
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The British Foreign
 Secretary INDEXED
 Mr Bevin

allow me to write to you
 that I am annoyed with a
 Mon who calls himself
 Prof Smartence and all the
 time he may be an Idiot,
 who comes to England after
 being Banned to do injury
 to British Justice British Law
 and British Prestige I
 Would give him 6 Months
 H. Labour with 12 Strokes
 of the Birch. He should know

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then what British Law Means.

A man like that
does an Injury to England
as well as to the Jews, and it
must be met with a Strong hand
otherwise they only lough up
their sleeves.

The same thing applies
to India. Have a Court of
Peace established in Delhi
and all those who are Violent
to be brought to their Court and
sent out of the Country to Kenia
Tallony or Dutch other places
to live a life of existance on
the food they grow that only
will bring them to their right
senceess. The same applies to
their Congress members they
are only a Pack of Spies

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and Traitors and to clear
them out of the Country is the
only remedy to have Peace
and prosperity

You will excuse me of
writing so blunt and plain
But it makes me wild, that
all are taking liberties with
England because we are
too much of a Gentleman
for them

I Remain

Yours Respectfully,
John Wier

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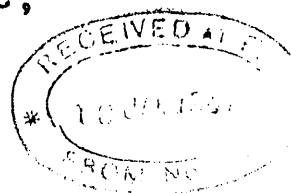
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Hon. Prime, Clement Attlee,
10 Downing, Street,
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Hon Prime;

I am taking this liberty and write this letter to, You, Hon,
And this is about the, Palestne, Jews disturbenes, as I read
Every day about the mined roads and seting a bombs, Buildings
Officees and, Army Barracs, but it is a fact that the terro-
rists and bandits snicking away from the, Police and, the
Army as not guild because they cannot pul any statement from
Them, a many times I read in the news that, Police or, Army
Officers had arrestet a groups of terrorists but could not
aproved them as guildy and let them a free, and now I will
Ask, You, Hon, Prime; if, You or, You, Goverment wish to know
How to indentified from ant group or groups who is the guildy
Or how many, I send? You an instruction how to do it if
You, Hon, Prime will answe me on this letter and state about
A reward, but please do not public my name, there is many man
Death and a many millions damage, but I dond look for million
Reward, and there will be able to pikup the terrorists and the
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A Very Truly Yours,

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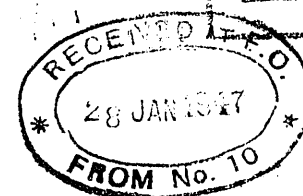
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Los Angeles, Calif. I/. I6. I947.

Mr. Attlee.
House Of Commons.
London, England.

Gentleman:

We The People Of The United States Wishes To Call Your Special Attencion
To This One Thing And That Is Theres To Many Jews Over Here In The United
States And Aspecially In Los Angeles, Right Now They GO Around And Buy Up
Rooming Houses And Then Have Them Moved Out Or Else Torn Down. Do You
Think This Is Fair Or Do You Call It Brotherly Love.? I Dont See. And The
Ellis Island Is Letting Far To Many Jews Come Over Here To The United
States This Is Absolutely The Honest Truth And I Might Say That Theres
A Lot Of People Out Of Work Just On This Account See. (Quoate A Mother &
6. Kids Were Put Out In To The Street. Some Days Ago. Do You Think That To.
This Is Fair.? I Dont And I Never Will See. (Unquoate.) Yours Very Truly
George. A. Morris. Of II6. W. I5. Street. Room. 2. Los Angeles, I5. Calif.
Please Answer Very Soon.



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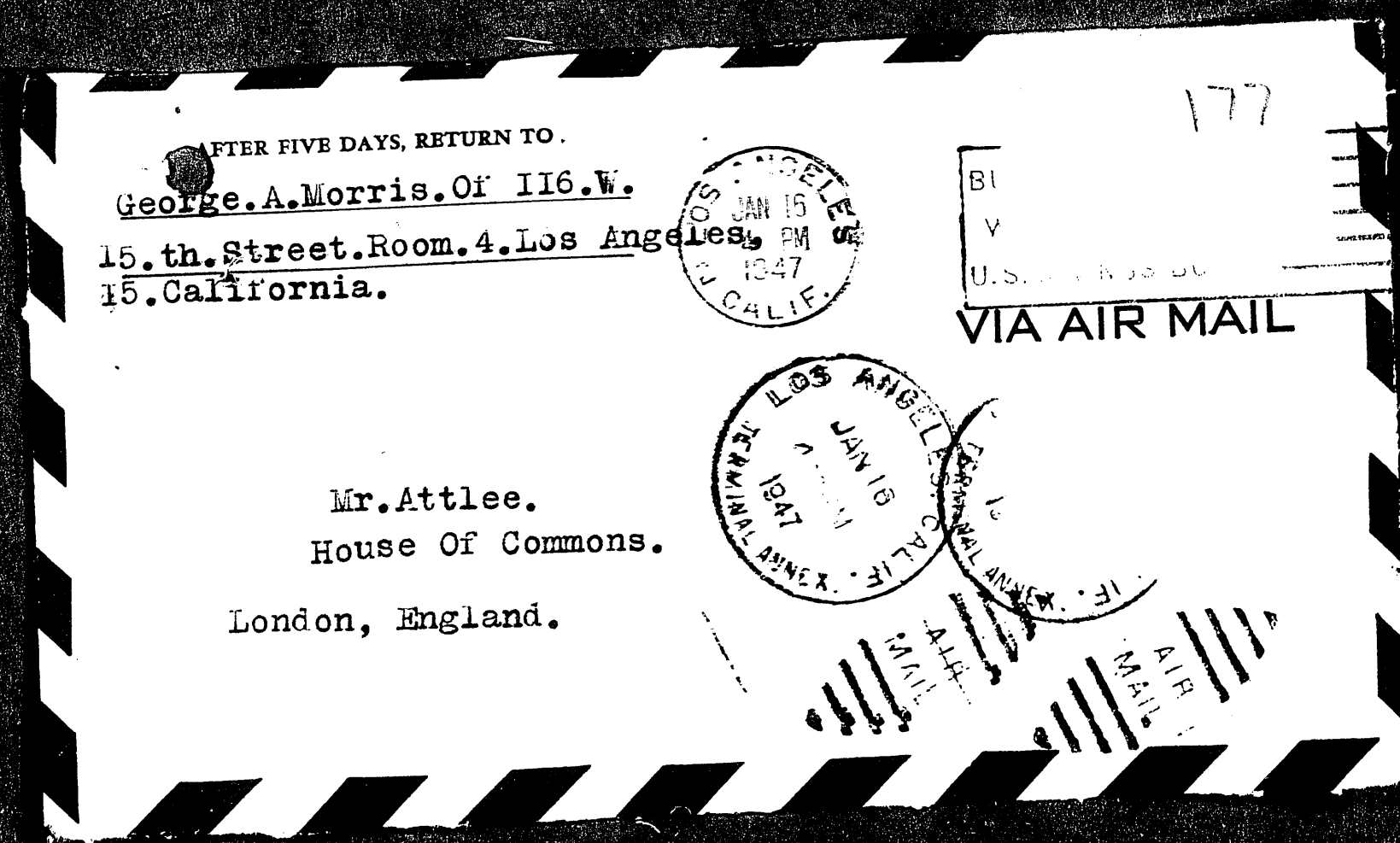
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by George A. Warris
of Los Angeles

Please send a suitable
acknowledgment if you think fit.

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S.W. 1.

25th February, 1947.

We enclose a copy of a letter addressed to the Prime Minister by George A. Morris of Los Angeles.

Yours ever,

The Chancery,
British Embassy,
Washington.

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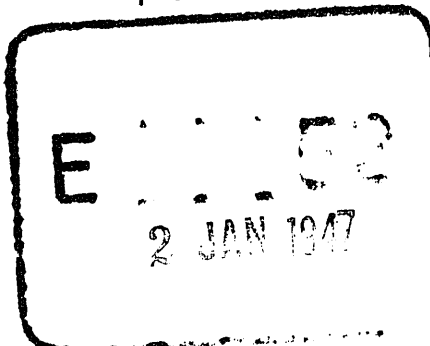
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Cypher (O.T.P.)

FROM PALESTINE (General Sir A. Cunningham)
TO S. OF S., COLONIES.

D. 24th December, 1946.
R. 24th " " 22.20 hrs.

IMMEDIATE

No. 2187 Top Secret.

My telegram No. 2133.

Weekly Intelligence Summary.

The truce by dissident terrorist groups has been observed throughout the week. There appears to be a fatalistic apprehension in Jewish circles that they will resume their activities if the Zionist Congress concludes with a decision to participate in the London Conference. It remains to be seen whether the returning leaders will be able to avert a further outbreak or deal with it if it occurs.

2. Later reactions to decisions taken on disposal of Sirina refugees confirm the view expressed in paragraph 2 of my telegram under reference. Various proposals have been made by the Jewish Agency with the objective of extricating themselves at the Government's expense from the invidious responsibility of determining priority of admission to be accorded to Sirina men. These have been rejected.

3. The trend of events at the Zionist Conference is causing satisfaction to the majority of the Yishuv, which is less critical of Dr. Weizmann and of the Agency's official policy than it was some months ago. Rabbi Silver is considered to have disappointed expectations. A general

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comment is that Dr. Weizmann loses all battles except the last one.

4. Further information is available which confirm the restiveness in Arab circles mentioned in my last summary. From Amman, H.M. Minister has reported anxiety amongst Trans-Jordan notables at the possibility of Arab outbreaks in Palestine directed against Jews if Jewish provocation continues. Fears were expressed at a private interview by Editors of three leading Arab newspapers that a campaign of terrorism against Arab "traitors" was imminent. Nevertheless, the week has passed without serious incident, though an Arab was assaulted at Tiberias by persons professing to enforce the boycott. Arab apprehensions have found grounds for reinforcement in Doctor Ickes' reported utterance that "the American fleet" should be shown to Ibn Saud.

5. Meanwhile the Arab Higher Committee has presented a memorial (of which text has been separately telegraphed) regarding illegal immigration. In this, the Committee attempted to lay on the Government the responsibility for "evil consequences" which might ensue from present policy. In reply, the Committee was warned that it would have to bear the consequences of any breach of law instigated by it.

6. Your announcement that the whole cost of maintaining Jewish deportees in Cyprus would fall on Palestine funds and would amount to £1,900,000 during the current financial year has been badly received by both communities, particularly the Arabs, whose objection is understandable. The Arab Higher Committee has addressed a memorandum to the Government stating the determination of the Arabs of Palestine to cease payment of taxes if decision is carried into effect. I have telegraphed separately on this subject.

7. The Arab Higher Committee have also protested at the projected appointment of two Arabs to fill vacancies caused by retirement from the Supreme Moslem Council and have demanded elections. Indeed, the Committee have virtually severed their contacts with this Government and from the immunity of their base in Cairo, where they appear to have established themselves under the "protection" of the Arab League and direction of the

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Mufti, they are assiduously exploiting every opportunity which presents itself of embarrassing the Palestine Administration and inciting popular feeling. Musa Alami and other comparatively reasonable elements have not the determination or courage to withstand the Mufti's pressure and, by the latter's decree, the days of the Arab Office are understood to be numbered. It is becoming increasingly difficult for any but creatures of the Mufti to maintain their positions in Arab political life. It would not be unduly alarmist to say that these trends underline the urgency of effecting a political settlement before the Arab extremists have time to inflame passions and remedy their comparative unpreparedness.

8. The projects mentioned in paragraph 5 of my telegram No.2133 have now been further developed and apparently the intention is to hold elections for a kind of Parliament based on a franchise of contribution to Sandug Labuunma. Whether these elections are contemplated for a date before or after the London Conference is not certain: there is, in fact, still some reason to doubt whether they will materialise at all.

9. The Jewish reception of Sir W. Fitzgerald's Report has not been wholly unfavourable, the chief attacks being directed rather at the Government's disclaimer of acceptance of its recommendations and of committal to any other solution than at substance of the Report itself. Dr. Hussein Khalidi, a former Mayor, has expressed the view that the true Jerusalem is the area within the walls, and that it must be governed by an Arab Mayor, both on the grounds of established precedent and because the great majority of the intramural dwellers are Arabs. The new suburbs without the walls were (not omitted) the Arab part of Jerusalem, and the Jews were welcome to set up local Councils for them if they wish. The Arab press has laid emphasis on the present publication of the Report as evidence that a decision to partition Palestine has already been taken or may be assumed.

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Weekly Intelligence Summary.

Expectations that Zionist Congress would result in yet another triumph for Dr. Weizmann and his policy have been disappointed; and it was with astonishment that Yishuv learnt that Rabbi Silver had produced a winning spurt to secure a decision by a short head against participation in London Conference "in existing circumstances". There was general relief when in the next following day it appeared that this decision had been framed so as to leave the door ajar for attendance should it prove possible to extract concessions from His Majesty's Government as price of participation.

2. The new Executive, whose formation was announced on 29th December following protracted negotiations between Mapai and the General Zionists, the two major parties at the Congress, has been received with little enthusiasm. The new body is regarded as unlikely to achieve unanimity on major issues which will shortly confront the Zionist movement and Yishuv view with apprehension the latent possibilities of schism and danger of ineffective action resulting from internal dissensions. Hope that Congress would see elimination of the discredited figures had been waning for some time past; and no one is surprised to see Fishman, Greenbaum, Shragai and Sneh once more playing the

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leading roles. Almost the sole element of satisfaction is found in the liquidation of Bernard Joseph. Dr. Weizmann's absence is not yet viewed too tragically, as he is confidently expected to make a comeback to office of President, left conveniently vacant, particularly if a decision to take part in the London talks is ultimately reached.

3. Apprehensions have been widely entertained, that end of the Zionist Congress would mean cessation of "truce" by dissident groups and that Yishuv would once more be faced with the dilemma of forcible suppression or impotence in the face of activities damaging to Zionist interests. On the other hand, hopes are not lacking that, since cessation of terrorist activities must largely have been due to pressure of public opinion and threats of counter action by Hagana, the dissident groups will think twice before resuming their activities, and will endeavour to find a colourable pretext for extending "truce".

4. The events of the evening of 29th December, when 4 British Army personnel were abducted and flogged by armed Jews, in reprisal for execution of a sentence of 18 strokes of the cane passed by a military court on a young Jewish terrorist, have been reported to you in my telegram No. 2213. I have informed you of my consent that as a consequence of these outrages, Security Force should declare certain active counter terrorist operations in Lydda district and in the vicinity of Nathanya. Apart from this, the week has passed quietly, the only Jewish terrorist action of note being the assassination in Tel Aviv of a Jew who is believed to have posed, without authority, as a collector of funds for an underground organisation. There were however two diamond robberies on 26th December which may have been the work of National Military Organisation.

5. The members of the Arab Higher Committee are assembling on one of their now rare appearances in Palestine, reportedly for the purpose of communicating to their "constituents" decisions "of a serious nature" taken in Egypt. A report based on a remark of Emile Ghoury's that the Committee has been enlarged by addition of 8 new members,

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is not yet confirmed. It has however been stated by a reliable source, that of these 8 additional members, the Mufti has already incorporated in the Committee 4 renegades from amongst his entourage, two of whom are believed to be Izzat Darwazeh and Ishaq Darwish Hussein (who are still excluded from Palestine) whilst the two others are Sheikh Hassan Abu Saoud, formerly detained in the Seychelles, and Muin El Madi, both of whom were included in the recent amnesty.

6. That apprehensions of three Arab editors, reported in paragraph 4 of my telegram under reference, were not ill founded, was shown by the assassination on Christmas Day of Emir el Zinati, a Bedouin chieftain noted for relations with the Jews and for facilitation of land transactions. From numerous sources come indications that the Mufti has once again at his command an underground organisation capable of intimidating, or if need be, liquidating first "traitors" to the Arab cause and later, persons obnoxious to His Eminence on personal or political grounds.

7. The two vacancies on the Supreme Moslem Council (paragraph 7 of my telegram No. 2187), have now been filled by nominated members. It is too early yet to say whether agitation on this issue fomented by the Arab Higher Committee will evaporate, but worth of the two individuals selected for appointment seems to be generally recognised.

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FROM PALESTINE (O.A.G.)

TO S. OF S., COLONIES.

D. 7th January, 1947.

R. 7th " " 22.50 hrs.

IMPORTANT

No. 45 Top Secret.

My telegram No. 4.

Weekly Intelligence Summary.

The outcome of the Zionist Congress with its decision not to attend the London Conference "in existing circumstances" and its notable omission to make any firm declaration on partition has left Yishuv in a state of understandable confusion and bewilderment. A shrewd comment is that too much had been staked on His Majesty's Government's desire to secure Jewish participation and return of Doctor Weizmann to Presidency, and that failure of His Majesty's Government to make prompt concessions to secure these ends has left the new Executive without a plan and without a policy.

2. In regard to terrorism, the Jewish leaders now in Palestine are probably doing everything in their power to check it but their power is limited. When members of the new Agency Executive are available they will be faced with the fact that no mere denunciation by them will be effective. The alternatives before them will be either acquiescence in continued searches and increasing restrictions on the life of the people, which will make them most unpopular, or employment of Hagana against Irgun, which Irgun are reliably reported to have decided that they will reply to by killing the leaders themselves. This is the sort of situation in which any authority may find itself which makes declarations and then either does not or cannot enforce them.

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3. But every possible chance must still be given for Jewish authority to assert itself. After discussion with the G.O.C., who does not object, I propose to remit the sentence of whipping in the second case in which this sentence was recently imposed on a youth aged 17 by a military court. It is an inappropriate time but decision to remit will be partly a matter of timing in the light of events during the next few days.

4. Searches by the police and military in small areas but widespread will continue this week. These are being effective in producing some known terrorists, and generally speaking, are being carried out properly.

5. Rabbi Stephan Wise's resignation from office in Zionist organisation of America and particularly the reasons adduced in support of it has caused a considerable sensation and elicited sympathetic echo in those circles of Yishuv not too far gone in fanaticism.

6. The Arab Higher Committee has apparently not been able to induce the Arab States to "boycott" the London Conference should negotiations, to secure an acceptable invitation to the Committee as representative of Palestine Arabs, fail.

7. Rumours of an enlargement of the Arab Higher Committee reported in paragraph 5 of my telegram under reference still lack confirmation and no announcement has yet been made in regard to "serious" decisions taken by the Committee in Egypt. Meanwhile, although this has been a quiet week on the Arab front, there has been further confirmation that reports of growth of Mufti's influence and organisation are correct.

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From the Officer Administering the Government of PALESTINE.

To the Secretary of State for the Colonies.

Date 3rd January, 1947.

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POLITICAL.

The month under review has on the one hand shown a marked rectification in the attitude of the Yishuv towards the administration. On the other there has been a sharpening of Arab public feeling, stirred from its previous apathy by various factors which the extremist leaders have not been slow to exploit in their efforts to mobilise the Arab front for critical times ahead.

2. Terrorist activity on an intense scale, details of which are contained in part II, ushered in the month. Simultaneously there was increasing evidence that the Jewish Agency, reflecting in this matter the views of the majority of the Jewish community, was at last alarmed at the detrimental consequences to Zionism of indiscriminate bloodshed and wanton sabotage. Resultant manoeuvres led to the temporary submission of the dissident groups to discipline, though their capitulation was marked by defiant declarations that a state of truce did not exist or alternatively that any truce was no/

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no more than a gesture of courtesy to the Zionist Congress. It may be reasonably assumed, however, that the possibility of forcible suppression by the Hagana may have played a part in the achievement of this result. As a consequence Palestine enjoyed more than three weeks of unusual and relative tranquillity. This period has been used, it is believed, for re-grouping, recruitment and preparation by both the National Military Organisation and the Stern Group. As the month drew to a close gloomy apprehensions were prevalent that the end of the conference at Basle would see a recrudescence of terrorism in its most violent form, which would again face the Yishuv with the dilemma of civil war or dissident indiscipline. Possibly, however, the conclusion of the Basle Congress may have left the terrorists like others in some doubt as to whose move it is next.

3. The Zionist Congress which opened at Basle on the 9th December shared with the terrorist issue the interest of the Yishuv. The general trend of the conference seemed to portend a vindication of the recent policy of the Jewish Agency Executive and a personal triumph for Dr. Weizmann. Whilst many had expected that Dr. Silver would head a strong opposition element it was with almost stupefaction that the Jews of Palestine learned of the resolution against participation in the resumed London Conference "in existing circumstances", and with relief that they described in the next succeeding days glimmers of a possibility that this decision might be not so categorical as at first sight it seemed. An element of pique has not been lacking that American Zionists should thus presume to determine policy regardless of the inclinations of those stalwarts of the movement who were bearing the heat and burden of the day in Eretz Israel.

4. The composition of the coalition Jewish Agency Executive was eventually announced on the 29th December, following protracted negotiations between Mapai and the General Zionists. All minority parties with the exception of Mizrahi were excluded from consideration. The resulting set-up approximately reflects the strength of the parties at the Congress and their attitude to social problems rather than the division of opinion on dominant political problems of the day. They are therefore likely to experience difficulty in achieving unanimity on such issues and immediate agreement has thus probably been purchased at the expense of future embarrassments. The moderate element in Jerusalem has been weakened by the necessity to detail

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Mr. Shertok to keep an eye on Dr. Silver's activities in Washington. The dominant voices in the political department are apparently to be those of Mr. Ben Gurion and Mrs. Meyerson with Mr. Moshe Shoh retaining his special position in relation to "security" matters. How far the Zionist Organisation in America will submit to the general line of Zionist policy and to the directives of the General Zionist Council and the Executive remains to be seen.

5. The ill-will engendered by the deportation of the illegal immigrants on "LOHITA" in the latter days of November (see paragraph 6 of my telegram under reference) was diluted by appreciation of the assistance rendered by the Services to the survivors of the illegal immigrant ship "ATHINA" shipwrecked on the Dodecanese island of Cefalonia. For a brief moment it appeared that the Jewish Agency might sponsor a popular agitation for the immediate admission to Palestine of the whole of this group of refugees and there were hints of a resumption of activity by terrorist groups. That these manoeuvres were not pressed home confirms that Jewish opinion was satisfied with the concession of the entry of the medical cases and of the women and children. The Arab press and public did not of course fail to illustrate their theme that His Majesty's Government were acquiescent partners in the illegal immigrant traffic.

6. All these events - the prominence given in the world press to Zionist trumpeting at Basle, the re-emergence of the illegal immigration issue, the announcement that the whole cost of maintaining the Jewish detainees in Cyprus would fall on Palestine funds and two incidents colourably interpreted as expressions of Jewish terrorist "aggression" against Arabs - are factors which have combined to produce a state of heightened tension and quickened public interest among all sections of the Arab community. These developments have been exploited by the Arab Higher Committee as providing an atmosphere - (not hitherto available to them) - suitable for propagating the seeds of future Arab violence. The Committee called a two hour strike on the 15th December in protest against continued Jewish immigration and Zionist "aggression". They disavowed demonstrations, however, and all passed off peacefully. Nevertheless a real danger exists lest any further Jewish

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provocation may result in isolated acts of retaliation widening into inter-racial clashes with all their irreparable consequences. From Amman His Majesty's Minister has reported anxiety among Trans-Jordan notables at the possibility of Arab reprisals against Jews should Jewish provocation be repeated. Fears were expressed at a private interview by the editors of three leading Arab newspapers that a campaign of terrorism against Arab traitors was imminent. That these fears were not solely the product of urban timidity working on an artistic imagination was shown by the assassination on Christmas Day of the Emir Mohammed El Zeinati, a Bedouin chieftain noted for shady relations with the Jews and his facilitation of land sales.

7. There have been some signs of recognition by the Arab Higher Committee of a developing public opinion which it must sooner or later identify more closely if it is not to lose control of the event. As a step in this direction a proposal has been mooted for holding elections for a kind of Arab parliament or constituent assembly based on a franchise of contributions to the Sanduq el Umma or the newly established treasury of the Committee itself. It was always doubtful whether this scheme, which was obviously inspired by the Zionist shokel, would in fact materialise, particularly as the Mufti was understood to be opposed to it and to favour the expedient of expanding the Committee by the addition of his own nominees. The rumour current at the end of the month that the membership of the existing Committee is to be increased to twelve seems to indicate that the Mufti's will has once more prevailed.

8. The centre of gravity of Arab political activity has remained in Cairo where the council of the Arab League and the Arab Higher Committee have been endeavouring to harmonise their viewpoints on attendance at the London Conference. The League continues steadfast in favour of participation by Palestine Arabs in the Conference and has resolved to use its endeavours to ensure the attendance of a delegation of the Arab Higher Committee. The use of the word "delegation" however seems to suggest that the League does not find in the inclusion of the Mufti a condition precedent for participation. While the attitude of the Committee itself is still obscure, it seems that it has not modified its former claim to prescribe the selection of Palestine Arab representatives. To Jamal Hussein are attributed various statements indicative of divergence from the Arab States proposals as presented to the London Conference, and/

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and mistrust of the efficacy of their support. At the end of the month the members of the Arab Higher Committee were reassembling on one of their now rare appearances together in Palestine for the reported purpose of communicating to their "constituents" decisions "of a serious nature" taken in Egypt.

9. In the meantime the Committee has seized upon two questions calculated to evoke public support on which to join issue with this administration. Referring to your statement in the House of Commons that the entire cost of maintaining the Jewish detainees in Cyprus would fall on Palestine funds and would amount to £P.1,900,000 during the current financial year the Committee in a memorial to Government threatened a general Arab tax strike; whilst the replacement of two retiring members of the nominated Supreme Moslem Council has been made the occasion for a demand for elections to this body. This agitation is no doubt inspired by the motive of securing the Mufti's return to the office of President which - (it will be recalled) - was prior to the year 1936 the springboard for his elevation to supremacy in Arab political life. Relations between the Committee and Government, which have been tenuous from the outset, are now virtually severed, and from the immunity of its base in Cairo, where it can draw daily inspiration from His Eminence and comfort from the Arab League, it is assiduously exploiting every opportunity of alienating public sympathy from this administration. Musa el Alami and other (comparatively) reasonable leaders have neither the determination nor the courage to withstand the pressure of Haj Amin; and by the latter's decree the days of the Arab Offices are understood to be numbered. It is becoming increasingly difficult for any but creatures of the Mufti to maintain their position in public life.

10. In response to public demand Sir William Fitzgerald's report on the local administration of Jerusalem was released for general information on the 18th December accompanied by a foreword emphasising that Government was committed neither to Sir William's recommendations nor any other solution. The Jewish reception was not wholly favourable, the chief criticism being directed at the foreword rather than at the substance of the report itself. For the Arabs Dr. Hussain Khaldil, a former mayor, has expressed the view that the true Jerusalem is the area within the walls and that it must be governed by an Arab mayor both on the grounds of established precedent and because the/

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the majority of the intramural dwellers are Arab. The new suburbs without the walls, he said, were not part of Jerusalem and the Jews were welcome to set up local councils for them if they wished. The Arab press has laid emphasis on the present publication of the report as evidence that a decision to partition Palestine has already been taken or may be assumed. Generally however the report has evoked little interest and less comment.

II. PUBLIC SECURITY.

The following were the major terrorist incidents which occurred during December.

- (a) Four British soldiers were killed on 2nd December when a military vehicle was blown up on the Jerusalem-Jaffa road.
 - (b) On the same day a British soldier was killed and three British soldiers were seriously wounded when a military vehicle was blown up near Benyamina.
 - (c) On 3rd December two British soldiers were injured, one seriously, when a military vehicle was blown up on the Haifa-Jaffa road.
 - (d) On 3rd December a military vehicle was mined in Haifa, a British soldier being killed.
 - (e) On 5th December a time bomb contained in a motor vehicle exploded in the Sarafand military cantonment killing two British military personnel and injuring twenty-three. Five civilians were also injured.
 - (f) A heavy attack was made on the Mustashfa police billet in Jerusalem on the evening of 5th December, in the course of which a British constable was seriously wounded. Grenades were also thrown at the guard-house of a military mess near the General Officer Commanding's house.
- Two Jewish terrorists were killed when the taxi in which they were travelling with explosives blew up after a road accident.
- (g) On 11th December a party of armed Jews raided the Arab village of Salameh and abducted two young Arabs, who were subsequently released. An Arab mukhtar who attempted to interfere was shot and wounded.

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(h) A British Officer and three British other ranks were abducted (in Nethanya, Tel Aviv and Rishon-le-Zion) and flogged by Jewish terrorists on the evening of 29th December, as a reprisal for the execution of a sentence of 18 strokes of the cane (and 18 years imprisonment) passed by a military court on a young Jewish terrorist.

(i) The same evening a taxi containing five Jews attempted to rush a road block near Wilhelma. In the ensuing exchange of fire one Jew was fatally wounded and three were captured. These Jews are thought to have been implicated in the incidents described at (h).

III. ECONOMIC.

Oils and oilseeds are again a source of anxiety. Existing stocks will cover Palestine's requirements of margarine, edible oil and soap for January, 1947, only. Unless the approved allocations of oilseeds arrive in time, production for February and March 1947 will be interrupted with serious effects on the cost of living index, as occurred in October last. The olive crop was almost a complete failure. The preliminary estimate of olive oil production is 1,200 tons, compared with 2,700 tons in 1944/45 and 10,700 tons in 1945/46.

2. The coal supply is critical. Short supply has resulted in a reduction in the local production of cement and the slowing down of building operations. Licences have recently been issued freely for import of cement from Yugoslavia and it is hoped that the cement position will improve when supplies arrive from that country.

3. The leather supply has considerably improved and in consequence this commodity will shortly be decontrolled.

4. Approval has been received for the expenditure of £P.1,400,000 on motor vehicles to be imported from the U.S.A. during the first quarter of 1947. Import licences have been issued for

250 omnibus chassis
300 passenger cars and
50 pick-ups.

Surcharges on motor vehicles and tyres were removed on 1st January, 1947.

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5. Citrus exports from the commencement of the season (November) up to 30th December, 1946 amounted to 2,906,000 cases, all of which went to the United Kingdom, except for 580,000 cases sent to the continent.

6. Goods imported into Palestine during the period January-September, 1946, amounted to £P.49½ million as compared with £P.29½ million for the same period of 1945, and increase of 68 per cent. Exports for the same period amounted to £P.18 million as compared with £P.13½ million for the corresponding period, an increase of 33 per cent.

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Cypher (O.T.P.)

FROM PALESTINE (O.A.G.)

TO S. OF S. COLONIES.

D.14th January, 1947.

R.14th " " 22.30 hrs.

IMMEDIATE

No. 101 Top Secret.

My telegram No. 45.

Weekly Intelligence Summary.

In a broadcast on 11th January Ben Gurion, now temporarily back in Palestine, let it be known that the Agency did not expect that concessions would be forthcoming from His Majesty's Government which would enable a Jewish Delegation to attend the London Conference under the formula presented by the Zionist Congress. The Agency appears now to favour bilateral conversations with His Majesty's Government. Ben Gurion also indicated that any decision by His Majesty's Government now imminent could not be of a final nature, and that presumably on the assumption that these would not satisfy Jewish aspirations, the policy of the Agency would be international lobbying between now and the autumn, when the Palestine problem would come before U.N.O. Both Ben Gurion and Mrs. Goldie Meyerson have stressed the desire of the Agency to maintain contacts with members of the Government.

2. The Agency informed the Government during the week they had adequate authoritative information that "dissidents" had agreed to renew the truce "for the time being". The latter failed to endorse this, but nevertheless the Haifa outrage of 12th January, which has been reported in my telegram No. 80, appears to have come as a general shock. It is not yet certain whether this incident was the work of the National Military Organisation or the Stern Group; and the possibility cannot be precluded that there may now be "dissidents" within the "dissidents group".

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3. In my telegram No. 59, I reported counter terrorist action during the period 29th December - 8th January. The following are particulars of such action between 9th January and the date of this telegram. Notwithstanding the Haifa outrage, there is reason to believe that this has had some success in disrupting terrorist plans.

(a) Acting on police information, military units carried out minor operations on selected targets, such as small groups of houses and flats. On 9th January, such operations were carried out at Rehovoth and Hatigva (a suburb of Tel Aviv), as a result of which 5 persons were detained. On the following day, the same action was taken at Petah Tikvah, Gzre and Bitzaron and Montefiore quarters of Tel Aviv, resulted in 7 detentions. On 11th January, attention was concentrated on an elaborate system of road checks designed to prevent terrorist movements, and on 12th January small scale searches were resumed, at Ramat Gan, Tel-Aviv, Petah Tikvah, Rishon-Le-Zion and Rehovoth. A number of persons were detained.

(b) As a result of the Haifa outrage on 12th January, a curfew was imposed in the Haifa area from 18.50 hours on 12th January until 09.45 hours on 13th January. The Tel Amal area of Haifa was cordoned and searched.

4. Rumours of impending imposition of martial law have continued to circulate and have undoubtedly played a considerable part in bringing home to the Agency and a large body of Yishuv the urgent necessity to bring the "dissidents" under "national discipline".

5. The expansion of the Arab Higher Committee, foreshadowed in paragraph 5 of my telegram No. 4, has now been announced. The 5 new members are:-

Sheik Hassan Abu Saoud

Izzat Darwazeh

Itzak Darwish Hussein

Rafiq Tamimi, and

Mouin El Madi (?Naadi intended).

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All are close associates of the Mufti and the first three have a record of association with the Axis during the war. Two, Darwazeh and Itzak Darwish Hussein, are excluded from Palestine. Generally, the reception of these appointments by the Arab public has been lukewarm.

6. On 10th January, I conveyed to Jamal Hussein the invitation of His Majesty's Government to the Arab Higher Committee to nominate a delegation to attend the London Conference, indicating that His Majesty's Government waived their right to issue individual invitations to representatives of Arabs outside the Committee, but expressed the hope that the Committee would include the 5 Arabs to whom invitations had previously been issued. The Committee has now accepted the invitation and has nominated Jamal Hussein, Doctor Khalidi, Emile Ghoury and Mouin El Naadi to comprise the delegation.

7. During the week, the Arab Higher Committee issued text of its memorandum, submitted in October last to the Arab League, regarding proposals submitted by the Arab States to the London Conference (see paragraph 6 of my telegram No. 2153 of 17th December, 1945). The document is significant, not so much for any detailed criticism or proposal, as for its general tone of intransigence and unreason. Taking this in conjunction with Azzam Pasha's retort to the demand of the Committee that, if the latter did not participate in the London Conference the Arab States should boycott it, there is evidence that the League and the Committee are not entirely at one, and that members of the League are more than a little tired of the Committee's refusal to face the necessities of diplomatic negotiation.

8. Jamal Hussein has indicated that plans are proceeding for the election of "Constituent Assembly" (a phrase apparently borrowed from India without any precise idea of its meaning) on a franchise of 200 mills contribution to the Treasury of the Arab Higher Committee.

9. Musa El Alami has gone to Baghdad, presumably to stiffen the attitude of Iraqi Government to the proposed unification of the Land Redemption Fund under the Arab Higher Committee.

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10. A brief flurry was caused by a report that a band of armed Jews had attacked the Arab village of Tubas in the wilds of Samaria. When the facts became known, i.e. that there had been a scuffle between a body of Jewish hikers and some border smugglers carrying unlicensed rifles, the Arab Higher Committee decided to smother agitation.

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Cypher (O.T.P.)

FROM PALESTINE (General Sir A. Cunningham)

TO S. OF S., COLONIES.

D. 21st January, 1947.

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R. 21st " " 21.05 hrs.

IMMEDIATE

No.137 Top Secret.

My telegram No.101.

Following is weekly intelligence appreciation.

The week has been characterised by somewhat perplexed terrorism on the part of the leaders both Jewish and Arab, and by uneasy (corrupt group expectation) on the part of the rank and file of both communities.

2. The majority of Yishuv have received with satisfaction, inference that discussions between H.M.G. and Jewish representatives will proceed concurrently with the London Conference, though there is a body of opinion which deprecates this course as a device to circumvent a decision taken deliberately and after long study by the Zionist Congress. The Silver faction may particularly be identified with this view.

3. There have been no visible developments in the counter-terrorist drive on the part of the Jewish Agency, and the latter's line seems to be to excuse their lack of effective action by proffering that their own intelligence regarding terrorists is inadequate. It is rumoured however, that further pressure is being applied to dissident groups and it appears that Mr. Ben Gurion has far reaching plans for circumscribing their activities by such devices as cutting off their sources of money and arms. The baby has been temporarily handed to Vaad Leumi, which yesterday morning promulgated resolutions affirming that Yishuv would "defend itself with necessary force" against coercion and intimidation by dissident groups. Full text of resolutions is being telegraphed separately.

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4. Plans have recently been submitted to the Government for laying out of a new Jewish city on the borders of Gaza and Hebron sub-district. This is to be erected on Jewish-owned land, and is part of extensive schemes now afoot for consolidation and extension of Jewish colonisation in the south.

5. After an intensive series of meetings during the week, most members of the Arab Higher Committee have journeyed to Cairo for final discussions before their delegation proceeds to London. Jamal Hussein went first to Beirut, on what was ostensibly and probably in fact a private visit to members of his family. It has been announced that Ahmed Hilmi Pasha and Rafiq Tamimi will manage the affairs of the Arab Higher Committee in Palestine during the absence of the London delegation.

6. Following the broadcast from Tel Aviv by Ben Gurion, reported in my telegram No.101, Jamal Hussein was invited to speak from Jerusalem. It was found necessary to excise certain passages from his script and as a result he refused to broadcast.

7. I have reported reaction to the nomination of a delegation to the Palestine Arabs to attend the London Conference, in my telegram No.120. The initial elation is giving way to feeling that Committee's delegation is neither truly representative of the Palestine Arabs, nor sufficiently able to make the most of their case. This disappointment is shared by traditional opponents of Hussein's, and by the younger intelligentsia and left-wing elements who desire more "progressive" representations, but are not prepared to have a show-down to attain it.

8. The official policy of the Arab Higher Committee still remains as set out in its memorandum regarding Arab League's plan for Palestine, (vide my telegram No.101), but an observer in close touch with it, has stated that this memorandum was merely a reply to exaggerated demand of Jews, and that in fact the Arab League's plan would be acceptable to Palestine Arabs. He even added that he believed that if the only alternative to partition was some further Jewish immigration, the latter might be permitted to extent necessary to maintain the one to two ratio of Jews to Arabs in face of higher Arab birth rate.

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9. After a meeting with members of Supreme Moslem Council, the Arab Higher Committee has decided to recognise the present position following the nomination of two new members to the Council, in view of the Government's statement that it will consider enactment of legislation of the election of members in future.

10. A number of minor Jewish/Arab incidents, including temporary kidnapping of two small Arab girls (possibly on account of some dispute with their father over arms dealing), and mutilation of an Arab accused of raping Jewess have aroused surprisingly small reaction among Arabs. It seems that the Arab Higher Committee has decided to clamp down on agitation over incidents in which there are wrongs on both sides.

11. Musa Alami returned from Baghdad at the end of the week. No report of what took place on his visit are yet available.

12. The following is a brief summary of counter-terrorist activities by Security forces during week under review:

(a) Searches of houses of suspected individuals were carried out at Peta Tiqua (14th January) and Rishon-le-Zion (15th January):

(b) Check of identities of male patrons of cafes was made at Peta Tiqua and Ramat Gan (15th January):

(c) Orange groves and packing sheds were searched at Peta Tiqua and Rehovoth (16th January):

(d) Bet Yagov and three blocks of Mahne Yehuda quarter Peta Tiqua were searched (17th January). Road checks were carried out on evening of days of 14th January - 18th January (inclusive).

As a result of these operations, 44 persons were detained for further investigation.

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FROM PALESTINE (General Sir A. Cunningham)

TO S. OF S. COLONIES.

D. 28th January, 1947.
R. 28th " " 22.45 hrs.

IMMEDIATE
No. 193 Top Secret.

My telegram No. 137.

Weekly Intelligence Appreciation.

The Jewish Agency having defined its attitude to participation in the London Conference and accepted invitation to informal talks, there has been no scope during the week for major political developments. To obviate criticism that the conversations are, in fact, a device to circumvent the decision of the Zionist Congress against attendance "in the present circumstances", emphasis has been laid on the exploratory nature of the discussions, which are represented as intended to establish whether changes in policy of H.M.G. are to be looked for in time to enable Jewish Representatives to attend the Conference with terms of Congress Resolution. Nevertheless the Yishuv, impatient of subtleties generally, regards the talks as last minute negotiations with H.M.G. to obtain the maximum share of a partitioned Palestine. It is generally assumed that nothing will eventuate from the Anglo-Arab Conference and H.M.G.'s imposed solution of partition will be substantially endorsed by U.N.O.

2. The Vazd Leumi's counter-terrorist declaration of 21st January was reported in my telegram under reference. The Yishuv has been awaiting the terrorists next move. It is too early as yet to gauge reaction to the kidnapping on Sunday evening of Major Collins in Jerusalem and on Monday morning of Judge Windham in Tel Aviv, presumably as hostages for/

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for Dov Groner, who is lying under sentence of death following conviction by a Military Court and confirmation by the G.O.C.

3. Following plenary session of the Arab Higher Committee in Cairo, it was apparently considered politic to give way to the demand for the inclusion of Left Wing representatives in the Palestine-Arab Delegation to the London Conference. The decision to exclude the renegade, Wasef Kemal, has caused little surprise and so far no repercussions. Jamal Hussein has accurately reflected general Arab pessimism as to the outcome of the Conference. The Arabs are now pinning their faith to U.N.O. and there is wild talk of resisting "injustice" with force, though undoubtedly the public generally would give much to avoid that contingency.

4. Although Jamal Hussein stated in Cairo that the Arab Higher Committee stands firm on its memorandum on the Arab States plan, it may be inferred from utterances reported from London (that it might be) prepared to modify the more unreasonable of its (corrupt group). Perhaps with the Mufti at a safe distance, the leaven of the Arab Office in London is at work.

5. On the afternoon of 27th January, a disturbance broke out in the Central Prison, Jerusalem, between Jewish and Arab prisoners. This was suppressed after a certain amount of material damage had been done, minor injuries were received by Prison Staff, including the Superintendent, and by the prisoners. This morning, while a party of Arab prisoners was passing a Jewish cell on the way to the Rations Store, they were insulted by Jewish prisoners, who subsequently broke out of the cell and attacked them. Arab prisoners, hearing their cries for help, broke out of the Arab section of the prison and attacked the Jews. Prison staff and Police reinforcements eventually quelled the riot with tear smoke but meanwhile a party of Arab prisoners had attacked a Jewish Medical Orderly in the clinic, which is/

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is situated in the Arab part of the prison, and inflicted fatal injuries. During the riot, the Prison Superintendent received head injuries and a number of Jewish and Arab prisoners also sustained injuries, some of them serious. Considerable material damage was done to the clinic and fittings throughout the prison. Situation is now quiet. Official enquiry is being held. Initial cause of disturbance appears to have been the news of the kidnapping of Judge Windham, accompanied by provocative insults by the Jews.

6. There have been no major anti-terrorist operations by Security Forces during the week, apart from those consequent on the kidnapping of Major Collins and Judge Windham.

These have been reported in my telegram No. 187.

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FROM PALESTINE (General Sir A. Cunningham)
TO S. OF S., COLONIES.

D. 4th February, 1947. 22.10 hrs.
R. 4th " " 22.10 hrs.

IMMEDIATE

No. 244 Top Secret.

My telegram No. 193.

Weekly intelligence appreciation.

The events of the week have left Yishuv in a ferment of emotionalism and tension and locally, at any rate, they have overshadowed informal discussions in progress at the Colonial Office. With release of Judge Windham and Collins, it appeared to be assumed that the Yishuv had done its bit and could automatically revert with self satisfied relief to status quo ante. Even before the threatened imposition of military control on selected Jewish areas was suspended, the nervous cry was raised that the innocent should not be made to suffer for terrorists' misdeeds. The subsequent decision to evacuate British women and children and non essential civilians, has intensified the Yishuv's nervousness that the decks are being cleared for some form of action. The still pending fate of Dov Groner, in which is seen the possibility of what is styled Government "provocation", has been made the subject of maximum (corrupt group pressure) tactics and resort is being had to every expedient in an attempt to secure an extension of respite on his sentence, or better still, its commutation. The terrorists themselves have made it clear that "they will turn Palestine into a blood bath" if sentence is carried out.

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2. Their anxiety to avoid the consequences of such reprisals, appears to have convinced the Jewish leaders of the necessity to deploy the Hagana for action against dissident groups, though care is taken at the same time, to re-insure against the absence of effective results, by emphasising that their sources of information are scanty, and that the Government's failure to make a gesture on immigration policy renders their task unnecessarily difficult. Mrs. Golda Meyerson however, made it plain at a Press conference held on 2nd February, that they are still obstinate in their refusal not to call upon Yishuv to co-operate by giving information against fellow Jews. She is reported as saying "you can not make the Yishuv of 600,000 see their task as that of spy with every man watching his friend, his fellow worker, his neighbour".

3. The decision to evacuate British women and children has had a profound effect on the Arab, always sensitive of point of prestige: the Arab Press have not failed to see in this measure, a retreat before terrorist intimidation, but there have been many genuine expressions of sorrow at departure of friends. The corollary is drawn that eventually H.M.G. will have to make concessions to the Jewish demand in order to restore the situation. For the moment, however, the Arabs have been content to watch local events from the touch line with occasional jeers at either side. The performance of their own delegation in London seems to have excited little interest in view of the generally accepted view that the Conference was doomed to failure before it started.

4. Musa Al Alami returned from Iraq somewhat encouraged by the effort of his supporters there, to prevail upon him not to succumb to the Mufti's ultimatum that he should either bring into line, or abandon, his land development scheme and Arab office. He proposes to leave for Washington at the end of the week and is understood to be deferring a definite decision until he returns.

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FROM PALESTINE (General Sir A. Cunningham)

TO S. OF S., COLONIES.

D. 13th February, 1947.

R. 13th " " 07.00 hrs.

IMMEDIATE

No. 315 Top Secret.

Addressed S. of S.
Repeated Washington No. 20 Top Secret.

Your telegram No. 224.

Weekly Intelligence Summary.

The security measures introduced as a result of the kidnapping of Judge Windham and Major Gollins have excited a ferment in Yishuv which now constitutes an important political factor. Morbidly suspicious of this administration: the Yishuv has read into these measures designs more far reaching than declared intention of freeing the Government from recurrent blackmail of dissident groups, by the removal and protection of potential hostages. The evacuation of British families and the concentration of British residents into security zones have been generally regarded as a preliminary to the imposition of martial law which might follow either upon an unsatisfactory reply to the Chief Secretary's (corrupt group flatter) regarding co-operation with security forces or upon the next terrorist outrage. Since Groner's fate still in suspense (corrupt group) remains a potential ground for terrorist reprisals, and since in martial law Jewish community see economic disaster as well as widespread hardship, the crisis of nerves from which the Jewish community is suffering is perhaps understandable. On these heightened susceptibilities reassuring statements have had but little effect; while the intimation that H.M.G. is no longer thinking in terms of early creation of a Jewish State has removed solace that partition/

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partition would at once eliminate menace of military administration from the Jewish Palestine and end the long estrangement of British and Jews.

2. In this psychological environment Chief Secretary's letter which merely asked for straight answer to a plain question was interpreted by Yishuv (daily showing increasing signs of political paranoia) as threatening such reprisals as imposition of martial law and (corrupt group) of Jewish Agency if a satisfactory answer were not vouchsafed. The Jewish authorities represent it as being an unhelpful and untimely blunder on the part of the Government to expect them to call openly for Yishuv's co-operation: (a course which would meet with no effective response) - at a time when they were doing their best by their own methods to circumscribe terrorists by representing counter terrorist action in a light more calculated to have a popular appeal - viz:- as being in Yishuv's own interest rather than that of the Government. The Agency's reply:- (the text of which has been telegraphed to you) - base their refusal to resort to co-operation with security forces on political grounds, but there is some grounds for supposing that in part, at least, it has been prompted by doubt as to how far they can safely press Yishuv, and particularly Hagana, into action against dissident groups without danger of split in their own ranks. I made it clear to Mrs. Meyerson and Kaplan on 9th February, that for our part the door to co-operation, within limits imposed by political and legal considerations remains wide open, and that the next move lies with them. I also warned them that any further terrorist action would be liable to have serious consequences.

3. The foundation of three new settlements in the south and arrival of illegal immigrant ship MERICA have been hailed as evidence that "constructive" work of the National Home continues even in these dark days, while the advent of Doctor Weizmann, always a refuge in time of trouble, has brought comfort to those who still hope present clash of wills can be resolved in some form of acceptable compromise.

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4. The Arabs, who hoped for little from London Conference, have not been disappointed. For the most part they are disposed, for the time being, to wait on events, though cantonisation proposals are regarded as only one degree less objectionable than immediate creation of a Jewish State in an undivided Palestine, to which it is looked upon as a transitional stage. In their interpretation Jews would have 5 years in which, aided and abetted, they could achieve a numerical majority. The more pessimistic see in concentration of British civilians a preliminary move to enforcement of this solution regardless of opposition from either side or from both.

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FROM PALESTINE (General Sir A. Cunningham)

TO S. OF S., COLONIES.

D. 18th February, 1947.

R. 18th " " 20.20 hrs.

IMMEDIATE

No.365 Top Secret.

Addressed S. of S.
Repeated Washington No.23.

My telegram No.315.

Weekly Intelligence Summary.

The breakdown of the London Conference, the failure of the Colonial Office talks and the announcement that Palestine anarchy would be referred to U.N.O. in the autumn, though not wholly unexpected, have created a political vacuum which Jews and Arabs have failed to fill. The Jewish leaders do not, however, appear to be greatly abashed at their overcall of their hand and their failure to justify their by-passing of the Basle decision not to attend the London talks: Jewish Agency indications are that in the interim period they will concentrate their efforts on mobilising as much support as possible in foreign countries by assiduous lobbying and propaganda and on securing an increase in the immigration quota. The Arabs are visibly relieved that the outcome of the discussions has been neither a decision to partition Palestine nor a resolve to grant Jewish autonomy (which would enable the population of Yishuv rapidly to be increased), but are yet apprehensive lest world ramifications of Zionism, its potentiality for political pressure especially in the United States, and its skill in propaganda backed by apparently unlimited financial resources may result in a decision, by U.N.O., which will be no less objectionable than the Bevin scheme and will have the added disadvantage that, as a solution endorsed by world authority, it will be final.

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2. At the beginning of the week, Arab nervousness that concentration of the British community into security zones presaged the enforcement of a political solution was reported to have led to a sharp rise in black market prices of arms, food hoarding and similar indications of preparations for trouble. As a result of the outcome of the London Conference, although negative, this tension may be expected to subside and Arab extremist politicians may find it difficult to get the public geared from apathy to action.

3. While the resolution of Jewish leaders to bring dissidents under control is unshaken, there are disquieting signs that National Military Organisation and the Stern Gang are recovering from setback caused by public disapprobation of attacks on Haifa "fortress" and abductions of British subjects. This state of affairs is mainly attributable to the failure of the Jewish Agency to extract from H.M.G. any concessions on the immigration issue, to public resentment at evictions necessitated by concentration of the British community and, in a lesser degree, to the recent deportation of illegal immigrants of "LANAGEV". The arrival of a further ship, the SAN MIGUEL, on 16th February will no doubt increase this feeling of sympathy for the motives, if not the methods of the terrorists. The confirmation of the death sentence on three of the terrorists captured with arms and whips on the night of the flogging of British Army personnel (described by the Palestine Post as a "Parthian" shot worthy of General Barker's record) has intensified the Yishuv's nervous apprehension as to the terrorists probable reaction to this further "provocation" and the serious consequences which would result to themselves. Agency sponsored efforts to circumscribe the terrorists continue and there have been a number of minor encounters between dissidents and the Hagana, particularly members of Hashomer Hatzair: it is widely thought that these scuffles will ultimately lead to more serious clashes. The Histadruth has been moved to declare that "any attack by terrorist groups on any part of Palestine Jewish (organised) movement will be regarded by Histadruth as an attack against itself, and the entire body will reply to such attacks". Meanwhile the Hagana continues to voice its determination not to submit to Government "terrorism": and it is feared that, in the event of no concessions being forthcoming from H.M.G., the Hagana may be compelled to resort to "constructive" resistance in order to avoid the taunts of the dissidents that it has no policy in the face of an attitude of/

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of negation by the Mandatory Power. First indication of this may be discernable in the attacks on vessels in Haifa port on 13th February; these are thought to have been the work of Jewish Resistance Movement, though this is not yet confirmed.

4. The possibility that Doctor Weizmann and his supporters may already be considering that the failure of the Colonial Office talks will result in a reaction against Doctor Silver, Mr. Ben Gurion and extreme (2 corrupt groups) is shown by the information from very secret sources of negotiations for the formation of a new political group around Doctor Weizmann, which will draw its adherence from the more moderate elements of general Zionist (?group omitted) and from Aliya Madasha.

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FROM PALESTINE (General Sir A. Cunningham)

TO S. OF S., COLONIES.

D. 24th February, 1947.

R. 24th " " 22.35 hrs.

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No.409 Top Secret.

Addressed S. of S.
Repeated Washington No.84.

My telegram No.365.

Weekly Intelligence Summary.

The formal announcement by the Foreign Secretary on 18th February of H.M.G.'s decision to submit the Palestine problem to the judgment of the United Nations merely confirmed what was public knowledge, and the general line of reaction had already been formulated: the preliminary assessment given in my telegram No.365 has proved to be accurate. Whilst welcoming reference to U.N.O. as recognition of the international character of the problem, and of Jewish rights, the Jews have not failed to stigmatise it as another phase in the deliberate tactic of procrastination and have demanded that, in the interim period, restrictions on immigration and land sales should be lifted. Hopes are being sedulously fostered by Jewish Agency leaders of at least some increase in the immigration quota; probably this has the additional motive of distracting notice from the dismal failure of their policy at the London talks, which cannot but have weakened their influence with those moderate elements who would have preferred to see them gain some concession on immigration at the expense of extreme Zionist aspirations. A meeting of the General Zionist Council is expected to be held early in March to define the official Jewish attitude to these developments. The Arabs, for their part, are for the moment satisfied that any concessions which might have been derived by the Jews from the London talks have been successfully averted, but there is an

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an undercurrent of apprehension in regard to the ultimate outcome. Loud professions of dissatisfaction at the continuance of immigration at the present rate of 1,500 a month are no doubt prompted in part by the desire to give the impression that serious repercussions would follow any interim increase. Both sides have declared an all-out campaign on the propaganda front.

2. Against this background, the terrorists resumed their activities during the week with the planting of a number of electrically detonated land mines, an attack on airfield with small arms, and mortar fire and damage to oil-pipeline by explosives. Whilst the Jewish authorities may perhaps not be sorry to see these minor demonstrations as confirming that, without some concession on immigration, they will be powerless to make any headway against terrorism, there are clear signs that the Agency's influence is rapidly declining. Having passed resolutions denouncing terrorism, the Agency now see these openly defied and can itself seek popular support only in opposition to the Government. This loss of authority represents a corresponding gain of power to the Haganah and Irgun. The clash over illegal immigration and military measures to suppress terrorism may well precipitate alignment of Haganah with dissident groups or at least precipitate a campaign of "constructive resistance".

3. omitted. Meanwhile the Mufti, now reinforced by the untimely return of Kawajji, may be counted upon to continue his efforts to eliminate his opponents and weld the Arab public into an instrument ready for use when he deems that the situation demands it. During the week, publicity was given to the establishment of the Beit Al Mal (Arab National Treasury) under the auspices of the Arab Higher Committee. Contributions described as "Taxes", will range from 100 mils per head per annum for all Palestinian Arabs to £(P)10 for professional men and up to £(P)50 for merchants; other levies on transport, cinema tickets, newspapers and tobacco are envisaged. These funds will be controlled by a Board of Trustees consisting of 36 members, 12 of whom will be appointed by the Arab Higher Committee, the remaining 24 being elected. The budget for the coming year is estimated at £(P)220,000, half of which will be spent on land schemes. It is too early yet to assess the implications of this project or the prospects of it being brought to fruition, but at first glance, the latter would not appear to be bright.

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4. Three of a party of the Najjada, returning from a rally in Egypt in celebration of King Farouk's birthday, were in possession of arms. Reports of merger of this organisation with Futuwa into a joint Arab Youth Movement persist, but in any event mutual jealousies will probably prevent its success.

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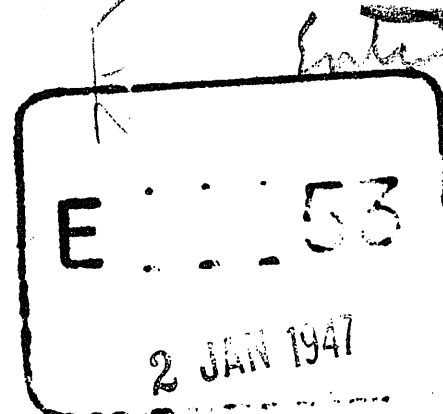
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FROM PALESTINE (Gen. Sir A. Cunningham)
TO S. OF S., COLONIES.

D. 30th December, 1946.
 R. 30th " " 16.00 hrs.

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No. 2243.

Addressed to S. of S.
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 " " B.M.E.O. Cairo No. 187. (Please
 pass copy to C-in-C and Ambassador).
 " to Baghdad No. 120.
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 " " Jedda No. 96.
 " " Amman No. 894.

A. At 19.25 hrs. on 29th December, a British Army Major was kidnapped from a hotel in Nathanya by a party of armed Jews. He was flogged with 18 strokes and subsequently released and returned to the hotel.

B. The same evening, at about 20.30 hrs, two British Staff Sergeants were abducted by a party of armed Jews in Tel Aviv and taken by car to the Zoological Gardens. Each was flogged with 18 strokes.

C. At 21.30 hrs. the same evening, five armed Jews entered a cafe at Rishonle Zion and abducted the most senior officer present, a British Staff Sergeant. He was removed a short distance and flogged with a rope and receiving 18 strokes. He suffered severe bruises and abrasions and was admitted to hospital for treatment.

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D. Five armed Jews attempted to rush a road block near Willihema shortly before midnight. In the ensuing gunfight, one Jew was seriously wounded and three Jews were captured. Among the equipment in the car was one Thompson submachine gun, 2 pistols, 4 hand grenades and 2 rawhide whips. These men are thought to be those responsible for incident B.

2. The floggings were evidently a reprisal for the execution of a sentence of 18 years imprisonment and 18 lashes passed by a Military Court on a 16-year-old Jewish terrorist, who participated in the attack on the Ottoman Bank at Jaffa on 13th September, reported in my telegram No. 1496. My telegrams Nos 1964 and 1990 refer.

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My telegram No. 2213, paragraph two.

For word lashes please read "strokes of the cane".

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FROM PALESTINE (General Sir A. Cunningham)

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No. 2214 Top Secret and Personal.

I have to inform you that, in view of the outrages carried out against members of the Army last night, I have agreed to allow the Army to carry out searches for terrorists as previously communicated to you. I am informing the Mayors concerned and asking for their co-operation and that of the communities, so as to inconvenience those not (?corrupt group implicated) as little as possible. The searches as at present proposed commence today between 4 and 6 p.m., but may be delayed until tomorrow. I am sorry that, owing to circumstances, I have been unable to let you have longer notice. An announcement will be made here at an appropriate time.

NOTE BY COLONIAL OFFICE.

Searches for terrorists were planned to take place in Tel Aviv, Petah Tigve and Ramat Gan.

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Following terrorist incidents occurred on evening of 4th January.

(2) At 19.19 hours on the Jerusalem Bethlehem Road a military police truck was blown up by a mine no casualties and only slight damage.

(b) At 20.35 hours in Haifa a military truck was blown up by a mine one British officer and one British other rank were slightly injured.

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4. Jerusalem. (a) At 1755 hours two hand grenades were thrown at a military billet in Jerusalem and three hand grenades were thrown into the Air Ministry there (Jerusalem) and the House of Commons.

At 12:40 hours a Police Patrol car was contacted with flames. Two of which were subsequently found in the vicinity. No damage or casualties.

(11) At 10:11 a.m. a wire was found on a road
near the school. It was removed and
disposed of.

At 1700 hours, (14) At 17.55 hours the R.E.M.E. Camp at Hengst was attacked with automatic fire and a number of mail boxes either were stolen, rifled and no damage resulted, one of the F.C.O. was seriously wounded.

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(v) At 18.42 hours a stolen tender left Haifa, Haifa colony and ran alongside the military camp nearby. Its occupants throwing bombs and firing automatic weapons. Fire was returned and vehicle returned towards the settlement where an explosion was seen to take place inside the tender.

(vi) At 19.00 hours a Bren gun carrier was blown up by a road mine near Haifa Town. One British Officer received fatal injuries and four British G.R.'s were wounded.

(vii) At 19.25 hours in Haifa an armoured car and tank of a combined Police and Military Patrol were blown up by a road mine. No casualties and slight damage.

(viii) At 19.15 hours a party of Jews attacked a military car park in Tiberias with flame throwers. They were beaten off. Two flame throwers were subsequently recovered. No casualties and no damage.

(ix) At 18.10 hours in Tel Aviv a British Police billet and a military establishment were attacked with mortar bombs and automatic fire. One Arab S.A.C. was seriously wounded. Three Jewish civilians were slightly injured in the exchange of fire. A Jewish S.A.C. was shot and slightly wounded by three persons armed with automatic weapons.

(x) At 18.40 hours several explosions took place in a Tel Aviv street. No casualties and no damage.

(xi) At about 18.10 hours a police armoured car was blown up in Tel Aviv. One British Sergeant was wounded and another slightly injured. Damage was caused to the vehicle.

(xii) At 20.00 hours on the Haifa-Tel Aviv Road a mine was detonated when two vehicles of the 6th Airborne Division were passing. No casualties and no damage.

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(xiii) At 23.15 hours on the Haifa Tel Aviv Road a taxi containing Police personnel and a wounded Jew was blown up by a mine. A Palestinian Corporal was slightly injured.

(xiv) At 03.45 hours on 3rd January two Military vehicles were blown up on the Haifa-Tel Aviv road, near Petah Tigna. Six Military personnel were injured.

(xv) At 07.50 hours on the 3rd January a Military vehicle was blown up near Wilhelmia three British soldiers were injured.

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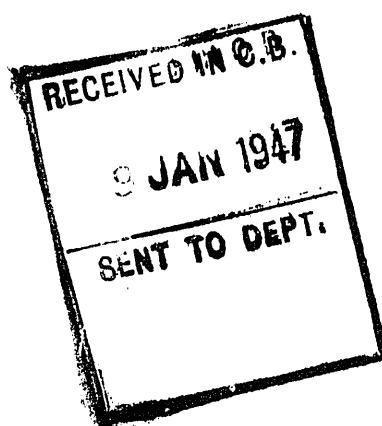
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Terrorist incidents.

At 05.15 hours on 6th January near Petah Tiqva
on the Lydda-Petah Tiqva Road, a military vehicle was
blown up by a road mine. No casualties and only slight
damage.

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FROM PALESTINE (O.A.G.)

TO S. OF S., COLONIES.

D. 9th January, 1947.

R. 9th " " 17.10 hrs.

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No. 58 Secret.

My immediately following en clair telegram sets out the details and results of the military and police searches carried out since 30th December. I suggest publicity should be given to this. Paraphrase is being given to the press here.

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No. 59

My immediately preceding telegram No. 58.

1. As direct result of flogging by Jewish terrorists of 1 British Officer and 3 British N.C.O.'s on 29th December 1946, immediate action was taken by military authorities.

2. Action largely consisted of searching Jewish areas with following results.

3. By 6 Airborne Division 30-31st December Petahtiqua cordoned, surrounded and searched for terrorists. Screened 939, detained 19 males. Arms cache found in well in disused building containing 2 B.S.A. barrels, Lee Enfield barrel and rifle, Browning pistol, 10 magazines for pistol, 2 German rifle barrels, 1 magazine 18 rounds 9 m.m. ammunition. Nathanya cordoned, surrounded and searched for terrorists, screened 1,923, detained 24 males, including a man believed to have taken part in flogging of British Officer. 31st December, Rishon le Zion cordoned, surrounded and searched for terrorists, screened 262, detained 18 males, including a man in possession I.Z.L. rubber stamp. 1st January, Karton area Tel Aviv cordoned, surrounded and searched for terrorists, screened 2,242, detained 47 males, including a brother of a terrorist who took part in raid on Ottoman Bank, Tel Aviv 13th September 1946. 2nd January, Yemenite quarter, Rehovot cordoned, surrounded and searched for terrorists, screened 1,280, detained 19 males, including at least 4 I.Z.L. suspects. Two brothers found in possession four rawhide whips, one man suspected of passing illegal documents.

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7. 8th January troops of 6 Airborne Division cooperating with Palestine Police, raided houses at Rishon le Zion and arrested 12 known members of I.Z.L., 9 males, 3 females, including 3 I.Z.L. V.I.P.'s. 4 males, 1 female suspect, also arrested. Documents of interest found. In all the above operations, there was full cooperation between the military and the Palestine Police. The total number detained during operations was 248.

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D. 13th January, 1947.

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" " Beirut,

" " Jedda,

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At 17.25 hours on 12th January a small motor vehicle, believed to have been a stolen W.D. staff car and driven by a person in battledress and wearing Palestine Police shoulder flashes, entered the compound of the security area at District Police Headquarters Haifa.

2. The guards became suspicious of the driver and he was challenged but ran and made good his escape. The vehicle was examined and it was found that a fuse had been lit. The alarm was sounded and evacuation was begun. Three minutes later the vehicle blew up causing extensive damage to the building and inflicting the following casualties.

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British Police two dead, two dangerously wounded,
seven seriously wounded, three
slightly wounded.

Palestinian two Arab T.A.C.S. dead, fifty
T.A.C.S. wounded.

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FROM PALESTINE (Gen Sir A. Cunningham) 2 JAN 1947

TO S. OF S., COLONIES

D. 27th January 1947

R. " " " 19.10 hrs.

IMMEDIATE

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" " MEMIN No. 6. (Please pass copy to Commander in Chief and Ambassador)

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" " Jedda No. 7.

" " Amman No. 66.

Begins.

My telegram No. 177.

Terrorism.

At 12.35 hours to-day (27th January) in Telaviv. Judge Ralph Windham was abducted by eight armed Jews as he was leaving the District Court. So far as is known he was not injured.

2. Car used in abduction was later found abandoned at Ramatgan.

3. (To Secretary of State only). Wife is in Palestine. Please advise sister Miss Joan Windham Orchard Stables, Wargrove, Berks, who should use her discretion as regards imparting news to his mother who is seriously ill.

(Sister informed by telegram at 21.20 hrs. 27th Jan. 1947)

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F.O. Min.		Minute to P.M. regarding policy towards Palestine. Suggests courses open to H.K.G. of Palestine Conference Paris.		
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Minutes.

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Mr. Beeley, Eastern Dept.

I return the attached note which I have read with much interest.

2. I wonder if I properly understand the passage in paragraph 4 where it is stated that our first step "should be to offer the mandate to the United States. If they agreed to accept it the transfer would have to be effected within the framework of the United Nations; but the offer could be made directly to the United States Government".

3. I suppose that, since the demise of the League of Nations, no Mandate technically exists, merely a moral obligation to administer the territory in accordance with the terms of the original Mandate. Therefore, a transaction with the United States would seem to amount merely to a bilateral arrangement that on a given date we should move out and that the United States would from that moment take over administration, undertaking to conduct administration also in accordance with the terms of the original Mandate.

4. I suppose that an arrangement on these lines would be technically feasible, the question of legality perhaps not strictly arising since technically there would be no Mandate to transfer. Whether it would be politically feasible is not for me to say, though I should have thought that it might at least have been open to a charge of power politics.

5. What I am really apprehensive about is the suggestion that this could be done "within the framework of the United Nations". I cannot think that there would be no objection to our going to the United Nations General Assembly, saying that we could no longer support the burden ourselves, and formally requesting the United Nations to take note that we should leave it on such and such a date and that it would be up to the United Nations to make subsequent arrangements for administration. How could we bring a transaction with the United States into this framework? It seems to me that we should at once be challenged by other Governments (e.g. the Soviet Government) not as to the legality of our action (since, as I have said above, I am doubtful whether legality comes into it at all) but as to the morality of our transaction with the United States. This was the ground taken, as I recall it, at the last session of the General Assembly when South Africa proposed, after having given notice, to terminate the Mandate over South West Africa by an act of incorporation. This was not approved, it being held that it was a retrograde step and South Africa was requested

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(I agree emphatically that if at all possible a special session of the Assembly should be avoided)

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Dear Charles,

Here are six copies
of the minutes - I hope it
will serve as a basis.

Attached to the second
copy is a letter to
Brook. If you agree, please
send it to him via
Hutcheon in the cabinet
office.

Douglas Harris will be
asking you for copies on
Monday morning.

Harold

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PRIME MINISTER

TOP SECRET

PALESTINE.

I have now proposed to the Arab Governments that the Palestine Conference should reopen on January 21st. Before that date the Cabinet must decide on the line to be taken by the British Delegation. I think this decision should be taken in full realisation that the Conference has very little chance of success, and ~~that~~ before taking it we should look ahead and consider what we should have to do in the event of a break-down. I have given much thought to this question, and I should like to put before you my provisional conclusions.

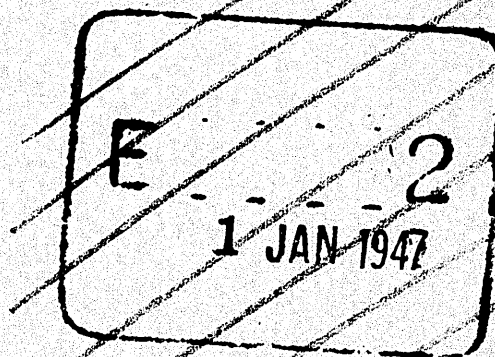
2. If the Conference fails there will be only two courses open to us:

(1) to impose a solution, and in so doing to overcome the active resistance of either Arab or Jews in Palestine (or, in the worst case, of both);

(2) to divest ourselves of all further responsibility for Palestine.

3. The former alternative would involve us in a continuing military commitment which might

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4. If I am right in making these/assumptions/it seems to me to follow that we should seriously examine, at the present stage in our discussions, the possibility of admitting our failure to deal with the intractable problem of Palestine and handing it over to others for solution. I warned both Mr. Byrnes and the Jewish leaders with whom I discussed the question in New York that we might be driven to this conclusion. Byrnes agreed, after being brought to realise how great were our difficulties in Palestine, that we would be fully justified in surrendering the Mandate to the United Nations. But I think that our first step, if ^{we} were to decide on this general line, should be to offer the Mandate/

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5. The offer of Palestine to the United Nations could be made either at the regular session of the General Assembly in September 1947, or at a special session convened on our initiative for the purpose. (Special sessions can be convened by the Secretary General at the request of the Security Council or of a majority of the Member States). To suggest a special session next Spring would not be a popular move and on general grounds of international/

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Arabs and Jews have declared that this plan is unacceptable to them.

- (2) Acceptance of a period of transition in which we should try to develop organs of self-government, while admitting Jewish immigrants at the rate of 4,000 a month for two years. I believe it is reasonable to expect that at the end of two years there will be so great an improvement in conditions in Europe that the pressure for immigration to Palestine will have subsided. But this argument would no doubt not convince the Arabs that they could safely admit 96,000 Jews in the next two years and there would be no chance of their acquiescing unless they were promised that after the two year period there would be no further Jewish immigration whatsoever.
- (3) Partition. The Colonial Secretary believes that partition would be acceptable to opinion in this country and to important sections of the Zionist Movement. But any form of partition which H.M. Government could propose would be very different/

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FOREIGN OFFICE, S.W.1

22nd December, 1946.

My dear Brook,

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The two Secretaries of State discussed Palestine at some length on Saturday afternoon and after their meeting I was asked to prepare a Minute from the Foreign Secretary to the Prime Minister. This has not been seen by Baxter and it will have to be cleared with the Colonial Office. It is possible therefore that its final form will be very different. But I think you may find it useful to have a copy of the present draft, as it amounts to a record of the meeting and will give you an impression of what took place.

Yours sincerely,

Sir Norman Brook, K.C.B.

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S.g.B.

As a result of the
discussion on Saturday
the Dept. drew up a
minute for submission to
the P.M. on Palestine.

The Colonial Secretary
has suggested amendments
to the minute (shown in
red ink on the attached
copy), and has also
sent you the attached
minute.

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I would see him
again after 3
have seen him & he
on the Middle East
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COLONIAL OFFICE,

DOWNING STREET, S.W.1.

FOREIGN SECRETARY.

I have suggested certain additions to and alterations in the draft minute to the Prime Minister with a view to making my own position somewhat clearer, but you will, I am sure, understand that there are other points on which, in order to keep the minute within bounds, I have not enlarged but which I must hold myself free to raise at a later stage.

On two matters in particular I do not feel myself so certain as the minute represents you as being. In the first place, I am not yet satisfied that it is impossible to find a solution which, even if it did not secure the open approval of one or both of the two communities, could not be imposed without the use of force greater than that which we ought to be prepared to contemplate. In the second place, I am very unwilling at this stage to shut the door on the possibility of devising some scheme of partition sufficiently fair to both Arabs and Jews to enable it to be supported to and possibly even to win the approval of the United Nations as the most reasonable solution of this intractable problem.

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Moreover, the Colonial Secretary is of opinion that both communities would refuse to co-operate in setting up the organs of self-government contemplated in this proposal, *while the Jews would certainly never accept any arrangement which set a final limit to Jewish immigration.* that this country and to important sections of the Zionist Movement. But any form of partition which H.M. Government could propose would be very

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different from partition as the Zionists conceive it, and I do not think they would accept it as a final satisfaction of their demands. In any event I am convinced that we should not be able to secure approval of the United Nations for partition.

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- (4) ~~Negotiations on the basis of the Arab Plan.~~ The Colonial Secretary takes the view that in the light of our past commitments we could not accept the Arab proposals, even in a modified form. On the other hand I am satisfied that we could carry a settlement of this kind through in the United Nations. Such a policy would be in accord with the prevailing current of thought on dependent territories and with our own present course of action in India and Burma.

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PRIME MINISTER
TOP SECRET

PALESTINE

I have now proposed to the Arab Governments that the Palestine Conference should reopen on January 21st. Before that date the Cabinet must decide on the line to be taken by the British Delegation. I think this decision should be taken in full realisation that the Conference has very little chance of success, and before taking it we should look ahead and consider what we should have to do in the event of a break-down. I have given much thought to this question, and I should like to put before you my provisional conclusions.

2. If the Conference fails there will be only two courses open to us:

- (1) to impose a solution, and in so doing to overcome the active resistance of either Arab or Jews in Palestine (or, in the worst case, of both);
- (2) to divest ourselves of all further responsibility for Palestine.

3. The former alternative would involve us in a continuing military commitment which might be a heavy one and/

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and might last for a long time. It is doubtful whether we have the resources to sustain a burden of this kind, or whether public opinion would countenance the pursuit of a policy which did not seem to be leading to the pacification of Palestine and a substantial withdrawal of British troops from the country. There would also be a risk that we should be haled before the Security Council.

4. If I am right in making these assumptions it seems to me to follow that we should seriously examine, at the present stage in our discussions, the possibility of admitting our failure to deal with the intractable problem of Palestine and handing it over to others for solution. I warned both Mr. Byrnes and the Jewish leaders with whom I discussed the question in New York that we might be driven to this conclusion. Byrnes agreed, after being brought to realise how great were our difficulties in Palestine, that we would be fully justified in surrendering the Mandate to the United Nations. But I think that our first step, if we were to decide on this general line, should be to offer the

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MOST IMMEDIATE.

SECRET.

Your telegram No. 35.

I am trying to see Byrnes about this tomorrow afternoon. I should be grateful to learn beforehand what is behind the news stories from London, which have reached the headlines here today, to the effect that His Majesty's Government now favour partition. While a British official source is said to have indicated that His Majesty's Government would not themselves put forward such a plan and to have promised only "full and serious consideration" he is also quoted as having said that No. 10 Downing Street, the Colonial Office and the Foreign Office "were becoming increasingly inclined towards partition as the only feasible solution". Byrnes will probably question me about this.

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